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MOROCCO JEWISH LEADERS SAY NEW REGIME AGAINST THEM

KENNEDY WOOING EGYPT FROM REDS

U.S. READY TO SUPPLY FOOD TO CAIRO

WASHINGTON (CJN)—The United States is cautiously wooing the United Arab Republic in surplus food negotiations as that Middle East country seems to be slipping its ties with the Kremlin.

The possibility of a closer relationship with U.A.R. President Gamal Abdel Nasser arises out of the latest conflict between the U.A.R. and the Soviet Union. American officials are watching closely as the Cairo-Moscow rift widens.

America's relations with the U.A.R. hit bottom in 1956 when an American offer of a $54,000,000 loan to help build the Aswan high dam was abruptly withdrawn. President Nasser then seized the Suez Canal and accepted massive amounts of Soviet economic and military aid.

MAJOR COUP

American assistance to the U.A.R., in the form of surplus food shipments, has never entirely ceased, however. Negotiations for further aid under Public Law 480 are currently under way through diplomatic channels and the hope is to conduct these so amicably that they will offer hope of closer contacts.

American officials do not rule out the possibility that greater economic assistance may be forthcoming. However, they emphasize that there are grave policy disagreements between the U.A.R. and the United States which will have to be worked out. The biggest problem is that President Nasser is adamantly opposed to American support of Israel.

But if some way could be found to walk the thin line of being friendly to both the Arabs and Israelis, the Kennedy administration would have pulled off a major cold-war coup. The Communists have generally had it all their way, infiltrating Europe, the Far East, the Middle East, Africa and even Latin America and winning away newly developing countries from the Western sphere of influence.

President Nasser's disenchantment with the Soviet Union has been obvious for months. Soviet help on the Aswan high dam, expected eventually to total more than $1,000,000,000, already has amounted to a commitment of nearly $500,000,000. But the work has been plagued by delays and, although definite pro-

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IS HE READY FOR DEAL WITH NASSER?

PRESIDENT KENNEDY

CJN Told New Minister Friend Of Abdel Nasser

(By Cable From CJN—JCNFS)

Rabat, Morocco.—The new, interim government formed this week by young King Hassan II is expected to be somewhat less sympathetic towards the problems of the Jewish community than was the regime of the late King Mohammed V. (Morocco has about two hundred thousand Jews.)

NO MINORITY RIGHTS

The leaders of the Moroccan Jewish community openly told your correspondent that they are very much concerned about the contents of the first draft of the constitution now being prepared by the new cabinet committee. It does not provide any guarantees for Jewish or Christian minorities.

This mood of pessimism is especially caused by the appointment of Allal Al Fassi as Minister of State for Islamic affairs.

Mr. Al Fassi, who is the president of the Nationalistic Istiqlal party, has been known for his explicit and extremist views about Israel and Zionism and as an opponent of Jewish cultural interests.

"INFORMATION" TO ALGERIA

His newspaper, "Al Am" (The Flag), never missed an opportunity to attack Israel in the most violent terms.

Mr. Al Fassi's daily also recently accused "Zionists" of inspiring the last French military coup in Algeria. In fact the F.L.N. Foreign Minister Belkacem Krim was thus "informed".

"Al Am" even dared to suggest that Jews leaving Morocco for Israel should be punished by death if caught.

PRESSURE UPON GHANA

Other Istiqlal members have obtained key posts in the government and are expected to ferment new anti-Israel propaganda through the "Casablanca Bloc" to which belong Ghana, Guinea, Mali, Morocco and the United Arab Republic.

It is expected that the new members of the Moroccan government will exert pressure upon Ghana to sever its relations with Israel.

France Assures Israel Of Eternal Friendship

Jerusalem (JCNS) — Israeli official circles here are particularly satisfied with the reception given to Mr. David Ben Gurion during his two-day trip to Paris. The warm friendship extended to the Israeli Prime Minister is not the only reason for this satisfaction. It is primarily one word uttered by General de Gaulle during the luncheon given at the Elysees Palace in honor of Mr. Ben Gurion that has given a new aspect to Franco-Israeli relations.

CHOICE OF WORDS

The head of the French state, lifting his glass for a toast, asked his guest to drink to "Israel, our friend and ally." General de Gaulle is known for his meticulous choice of words and he usually weighs them with great care. The fact that he has qualified Israel as an ally of France is considered here as significant. It is in fact the first time since the birth of the 5th Republic that a responsible French statesman has ever spoken of Israel in terms of **political or military alliance.**

General de Gaulle gave Mr. Ben Gurion another sign of the high esteem in which he holds him.

During a talk lasting 45 minutes, which preceded the luncheon, the French leader spoke frankly of the problems which he does not usually discuss with heads of foreign states. The situation in formerly French Africa and Algeria were amongst them.

The two statesmen also exchanged views on the international situation, the conflict between East and West, the arms race in the Middle East and the assistance (economic and technical) which Israel is in a position to offer to newly independent African states.

SMOOTH RELATIONS

Both French and Israeli official spokesmen stressed to the JCNS correspondent that there were absolutely no problems in Franco-Israeli relations which needed any special attention. "Our relationship is developing smoothly," said a French Foreign Ministry official. "Paris has adopted the most sympathetic attitude towards our problems and needs," stated an Israeli embassy representative, who added that, in the military field, "Israel is getting from France exactly what it is asking for."

PROCLAIMS ISRAELI ALLIANCE

DE GAULLE

MOSCOW HAS NO ROSH YESHIVA

London (JCNS)—There has been no announcement yet as to the appointment of a new head of the Moscow Yeshiva, in succession to the late Rabbi Shimon Trebnick. According to reports from Russia, Rabbi Levine, Chief Rabbi of Moscow, is acting as temporary head and is giving daily lectures to Yeshiva students pending the new appointment.

While there are several candidates for the post and the Chief Rabbi has, by tradition, a say in the matter, it is clear that a final decision rests with the Soviet Ministry for Cults which originally gave permission for the opening of the Yeshiva and the appointment of its head.

But whatever the final decision, the death of Rabbi Trebnick is considered a great loss to the religious leadership of Russian Jewry.

Although the news of his death was not announced in the Russian press it is significant that over a thousand people attended his funeral and the main synagogue in Moscow was overflowing with mourners who had come, some from other cities, to pay their last respects to the Yeshiva head whom Rabbi Levine, in an hour-long funeral eulogy, described as an ornament to Russian Jewry. Rabbi Shimon died at the home of his daughter in the Ukraine, some nine-hours journey from Moscow, and his body was brought back to the capital and left in the synagogue for a day, to enable the community to pay their tribute.

LEON WEINSTEIN NEW ISRAEL BONDS CHAIRMAN

One of Toronto's most distinguished community leaders and prominent business men, Leon E. Weinstein, has been appointed chairman of the 1961-62 Israel Bond Drive, it was announced by Morris B. Kaufman, chairman of the Board of Governors of the Toronto Bond Committee.

In accepting the campaign chairmanship Mr. Weinstein said: "In this Bar Mitzvah year it is a particularly great honor for me to accept this post because I know that every Jewish family will want to celebrate this historic occasion with the purchase of an Israel bond and thereby help to insure a happy and prosperous future for the State of Israel."

This year the Toronto Israel Bond Committee has set a goal of two million dollars in bond sales. During his recent visit to Canada, Prime Minister David Ben Gurion emphasized the pre-eminent role played by Israel Bonds in the development of the country, in projecting exciting plans to conquer the desert and in bringing Israel further along the road to economic independence. "He has placed a challenge before us which I am certain that Toronto Jewry will meet as in the past," Mr. Weinstein stated.

One of the most colorful personalities in Canada's business world, Leon Weinstein combines a deep concern for community causes with an intense interest in the arts. A member of Holy Blossom Temple, Mr. Weinstein

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TO LEAD BOND DRIVE

LEON E. WEINSTEIN

ELECTIONS SPLIT ISRAELI PARTY

Tel Aviv (JCNS)—The imminence of Knesset elections has precipitated a serious crisis in the National Religious Party of Israel (Misrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi).

According to the independent daily "Haaretz," a number of ethnic and political groups within the party have been demanding an increased number of places on the list, particularly among the top dozen places, under threat of secession if their demands are not met.

The Sephardim, and Yemenis in particular, claim that though "their people" provide the greater part of the party's votes, the Knesset seats and the patronage go almost entirely to the veteran Ashkenazi members of the party. Their threat to secede is all the more serious now that both Mapai and Poale Agudat Israel, which participates in government coalitions and has ample funds and patronage at its disposal, are actively seeking to expand their Oriental-Religious periphery and are prepared to pay the price.

DEAL FOR ALGERIA JEWS

Evian (JCNS)—The future status of the Jews in an independent Algerian republic was hinted at here when Belkacem Krim, head of the Algerian rebels' delegation, said that the conversations had dealt largely with the problems of the coexistence of the various communities. Algerian Jews, he said, would be free to choose French or Algerian nationality.

However, he was adamant in condemning any idea of dual nationality for the non-Moslem minorities in Algeria. "The rule of democracy is that the minorities accept the vote of the majority."

Meanwhile, a new wave of terrorism was reported from Algiers. Last Friday a bomb hidden in a basket exploded in the shop of a Jewish grocer at Miliana, a fair-sized town southwest of Algiers. One of the owners, Abraham Abbou, 70, was killed instantly. His brother Solomon and a woman customer were seriously injured. The shop was heavily damaged.

FOREIGN MINISTER OF F.L.N.

BELKACEM KRIM

New Chief Rabbi For Turkey

Istanbul (JCNS) — Rabbi David Asseo, the director of the Turkish rabbinical seminary and secretary to the late Chief Rabbi, is expected to be elected Chief Rabbi, sources close to the Rabbinate stated here.

His name was among the five candidates whose names were submitted to the Turkish authorities. The other candidates are Rabbi Baruch Cohen, Rabbi Haim Sapayo, Rabbi Isaac Rofe and Rabbi Abraham Amram.

No foreign rabbi has asked to contest the post, since, according to present Turkish laws, no foreigner could have been authorized to enter Turkey.

N.Y. Degree For Torontonian

New York (CJN)—Philip Alter, 15 Claxton Boulevard, Toronto, received a Bachelor of Arts degree at Yeshiva University's 30th annual commencement exercises Thursday, June 15, on the Danciger Campus, 184th Street and Amsterdam Avenue, New York City.

Mr. Alter is a member of the graduating class of Yeshiva College.

Toronto Marriage Debate

A provocative-sounding symposium on "The Jewish Concept of Marriage" will take place on Monday evening, June 19, at the Associate Hebrew Schools, designed, it is said, "to obtain a clearer understanding of the Jewish view on marital relationship, birth control and sane marriage patterns." Participants will be Dr. Moses N. Tendler, assistant dean and professor of biology, Yeshiva University, research scientist and Talmudic scholar, and Dr. Samson R. Weiss, executive vice-president, Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, a distinguished lecturer and thinker. Moderator will be Rabbi Walter Wurzburger of Shaarei Shomayim Congregation.

Commentary • By M. J. Nurenberger

A Secret Formula

I received a letter from a friend who takes issue with last week's COMMENTARY. This reader believes that I am wrong in reproaching Ben Gurion for defending Churchill's role in the Jewish tragedy during World War II. You and I, he writes, know the truth: the wartime leaders of the Allies are not blameless.

Non-Jewish statesmen, however, are not solely responsible. How about some of our own people? Is the **London Times** wrong in editorially defending Britain's role by stating that Eichmann's suggestion—through Joel Brand—of "Jews-for trucks" was rejected not only by the Allies but also by "Zionists"?

So, concludes my correspondent, why revive the dead issue? Will the six million martyrs come back to life if we open the discussion about—who is to blame?

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My good friend is wrong, for many reasons. First and foremost, to the Jews of my generation **THEY** are **not** dead. Their blood boils till avenged, in the eternal words of the prophet, Zacharia. No one can expedite this "case". Nor can one dismiss it cruelly by the cynical conclusion: "Who cares? It is too late."

It is **not** too late, since racialism, anti-semitism and cruelty did not evaporate in the Auschwitz gas.

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Last week one witness surpassed all others both in his appearance and in his testimony. This man is Yehiel Feiner, forty-five-year-old author of the great Auschwitz story, "The House of Dolls". Thus far, under the pseudonym "Katzetnik" (Yiddish for concentration camp inmate), he is the only writer who succeeded in translating the unspeakable horror of Auschwitz into the most sublime and extremely refined terms of art. His words at the trial will remain as eternal as his books. Here is his description of Auschwitz:

"Auschwitz was a different planet, and time there moved in a different sphere. The inhabitants had no names, no parents, no children. They did not dress as other people do. They were not born there and they did not conceive there. They breathed according to other laws of nature and they neither lived nor died according to the laws of this world."

"Their name was a number," the witness said, pulling up the sleeve of his white jacket to display a tattooed number on his forearm. He pulled from a briefcase a shapeless striped garment that looked like a suit of pajamas.

Feiner-Katzetnik, who adopted in Israel the Hebrew name Dinur, fasted prior to his appearance in court. To him, a graduate of the famous Lublin Yeshiva, the testimony was a Yom Kippur ritual. He fasted, for he wanted to "appear pure" before the Court of Law and before God.

Katzetnik spoke for the anonymous six million souls whom we, on this planet, cannot see. Would the six million agree to erase the guilt of those among us who remained silent?

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The Eichmann trial should clear the atmosphere so that man may regain his conscience. But first it is imperative to find out: why Joel Brand's mission failed; why it was inexpedient to gamble with the promise to deliver some trucks for a million Hungarian Jews; who had told the British resident minister in the Near East, Lord Moyne, (later executed by the Palestinian Jewish Underground) to answer Brand:

"What will I do with a million Jews if Hitler releases them?"

Who, in London, issued the order?

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Perhaps, according to a secret mathematical formula, the million Jews in Hungary marked for death were not worth a paltry million dollars—or twenty million dollars—which Americans are now eager to pay Castro for a few thousand Cubans **jailed**, not facing extinction. This formula should be made public and the facts known. Otherwise the Eichmann trial—no matter what happens to Eichmann—will have been in vain.

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Russia Permits Memorials For Warsaw Ghetto Martyrs

London (JCNS)—For the first time in years, commemoration meetings of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising were held in a number of places within the Soviet Union.

In Vilna the Jewish community gathered for what was described as one of the communal meetings held and significantly in the halls of the Lithuanian Ministry for National Economy. The meeting was organized by the Cultural Council of the Lithuanian Communist Trade Unions.

Among those who addressed the gathering were a number of survivors from Nazi concentration camps and they, in turn, according to a report from Vilna, spoke first in Russian, Lithuanian and Yiddish. The local Jewish choir arranged for a special concert and on the list of melodies sung were "Glory to the Party," the partisan Jewish march, "Never say it is the last journey," "Peace Hymnals" and others of an appropriate nature. A group of Lithuanian non-Jewish artists also took part in the commemoration meeting.

Similar large meetings to commemorate the event were held in several other cities in Lithuania and also in Riga where a large gathering of Jewish leaders and members of the community paid warm tribute to the ghetto fighters.

Pope Gets Report On Eichmann

Rome (JCNS) — Pope John XXIII heard in the Vatican a short report on the Eichmann trial.

The report was given by Judge Musmanno of Pennsylvania High Court, who testified before the court in Jerusalem two weeks ago.

Judge Musmanno, who is non-Jewish, was judge at the Nuremberg trials of Nazi criminals in 1945.

Prime Minister Diefenbaker Receives J.N.F. Scroll—At a presentation ceremony in his offices at the Parliament Building in Ottawa, Prime Minister John Diefenbaker receives a scroll signifying that a grove of 1,000 trees has been planted in the Jewish National Fund's "Canada Forest" in Israel, in memory of the prime minister's late mother, Mary Florence Diefenbaker. Present at the ceremonies were left to right: Mr. William Beech, M.P. for York South, Mr. Louis L. Lockshin, Toronto President of the J.N.F., and Rabbi David Monson, of Beth Sholom Synagogue, Toronto.

Groundbreaking For Yeshiva, On Thursday

A milestone in the history of the Jewish community of Toronto will be reached this coming week with the groundbreaking for the new building of the Ner Israel Yeshiva College of Toronto. The ceremony of the "turning of the first sod" will take place on Thursday, June 22, at 7 p.m. at the Ner Israel campus on Finch Ave. west of Bathurst St.

The Ner Israel Yeshiva founded only two years ago has already become a vital force in the community. The college is the first of its kind in Ontario to provide Hebrew and secular education on a high school level. The many new students that have registered for the coming school term are graduates of the Associated Talmud Torahs and the Eitz Chaim Schools.

The officers of the Yeshiva will be honored with the "turning of the first sod." They are: Herschel Rubenstein, president; Meyer Lebovic, chairman of the board, and Saul Sigler, treasurer. The Building Committee is headed by Sandy Hofstedter.

In Our Town And Elsewhere

THE SHAAREI SHOMAYIM BAR MITZVAH SABBATH

The annual Bar Mitzvah Shabbos was held at Shaarei Shomayim Congregation on Saturday, June 10.

Shaarei Shomayim Congregation honored all boys who have become Bar Mitzvah within the past year.

The Torah reading was conducted by young men and greetings were extended by Saul Sigler, president of the Congregation, and Ernie Lightman President, Shaarei Shomayim Young Israel Group.

Rabbi Walter S. Wurzburger delivered the Charge and Irving Frisch responded on behalf of the group.

BOROVY ADDRESSES UNITARIANS

Mr. Alan Borovoy, executive-secretary of the Labor Committee on Human Rights, was guest speaker at the South Peel Unitarian congregation on Sunday, June 4, when his subject was "Racial Discrimination."

CLOSING DAY YOUTH CEREMONIES

The Sisterhood Hall of Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue was the scene of the closing day ceremonies of all youth groups of the congregation on Sunday, June 11. The event was attended by parents and friends of the participants. The previous morning was designated as "Special Bar Mitzvah Shabbos" at Shaarei Shomayim in honor of all the young men who had been Bar Mitzvah in the synagogue during the past year.

KIDDUSH AT HOLY BLOSSOM

Rabbi and Mrs. Abraham L. Feinburg of Holy Blossom Temple have extended an invitation to friends and members of the congregation to join in a Kiddush after services on June 17 when Mr. Gershon Hugh Growe will be called to the Torah. Mr. Growe and Miss Sarah Jane Feinburg will be married at the temple on June 19.

ISRAELI NAVAL HERO

Guest of honor at a luncheon being tendered on June 16 by Commodore R. I. Hendy, VRD, RCN (R), highest ranking naval officer of the Toronto area, will be Rear-Admiral Yochai-Bin-Nun, Commander-in-Chief of the Israeli Navy. Rear-Admiral Bin-Nun addressed a prior meeting of the Synagogue Council on behalf of the forthcoming High Holiday Israel Bond appeal at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Levy.

ANNUAL LAYMEN'S INSTITUTE

The sixth annual "Kallah Vov" sponsored by the Men's Club of Beth Tzedec congregation will take place the weekend of June 23 at Muskoka Lodge. The faculty for the laymen's institute course of study will be Rabbi Stuart E. Rosenberg and Mr. Julius Hayman.

CAMP RAMAH SCHOLARSHIPS

Recipients of Ramah Scholarships awarded for high scholastic achievement in Hebrew studies at Beth Tzedec Synagogue include Dorith Cooper, Lanny Eason, Ira Friedman, Harriet Milrod, Alan Orenstein and Lynn Shiner. The Sisterhood, Men's Club and the congregation have also extended a number of bursaries to students for this camp term.

BROTHERHOOD SHABBOS AT SHAAREI SHOMAYIM

Brotherhood Shabbos will be observed on June 17 at Shaarei Shomayim Congregation. Following the services there will be a special Kiddush reception and all members of the Brotherhood and their wives are invited.

MEMBER OF BOARD OF McMASTER UNIVERSITY — Mr. Frank Goldblatt, of Hamilton, has been named to the Board of Governors of McMaster University. Mr. Goldblatt is one of the leaders of the Hamilton Jewish community.

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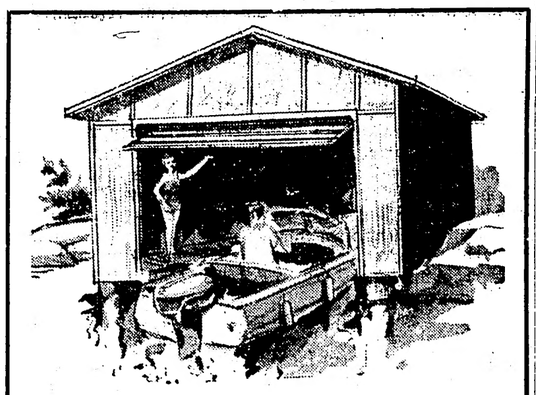
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Marvin Fremes, newly elected J.V.S. President, has been a member of the Board of Directors since 1951 and was senior vice-president and chairman of the Public Relations Committee during 1959-1961. A graduate of the University of Toronto, Mr. Fremes is a property management executive with Principal Investments.

Louis L. Lockshin, President of Jewish Vocational Service for the past two years.

Louis L. Lockshin, president of Jewish Vocational Service, reported the launching of a vigorous job-finding campaign for JVS applicants undertaken by a task force of board members and community leaders. Speaking at the 13th annual meeting of the JVS, Mr. Lockshin said the group hoped to place more applicants during the seasonal business upswing and to establish new resources for assisting applicants next winter.

"The JVS approach to helping unemployed workers has developed into a broad but integrated program of intensive counselling, aggressive job promotion, direct placement and rehabilitation services. Through this combination of efforts 618 placements were recorded last year, six per cent more than in 1959. In the light of prevailing economic conditions this is an achievement in which we take pride."

UNIQUE IN CANADA

Dr. Albert Rose of the University of Toronto School of Social Work, chairman of the Rehabilitation Workshop Committee, stated: "In its emphasis on short term treatment, the use of professional staff and the integration of work activity with both counselling and placement, the Rehabilitation Workshop program is unique in Canada. The number of requests we receive for information about this program and for tours of the workshop is quite amazing. They reflect the tremendous surge of interest in rehabilitation services in Canada."

NUMBER OF TRAINED WORKERS

The annual report stated that a growing number of unemployed, mostly untrained or semi-skilled workers, has become a disturbing feature of our economy. There is also, however, an increase in the number of trained workers whose jobs have become obsolete as a result of technological advances.

The annual meeting was held during Commonwealth Technical Training Week to focus attention on the urgency of the problem of training both youth and adults. The Jewish Vocational Service is financed by the Community Fund of Greater Toronto and the United Jewish Relief Agencies.

Officers and members of the Board of Directors for 1961-62 elected are: president, Marvin Fremes; s. vice-president, E. Manning Sprackman; secretary, Harry J. Waisglass; treasurer, Barrie D. Rose.

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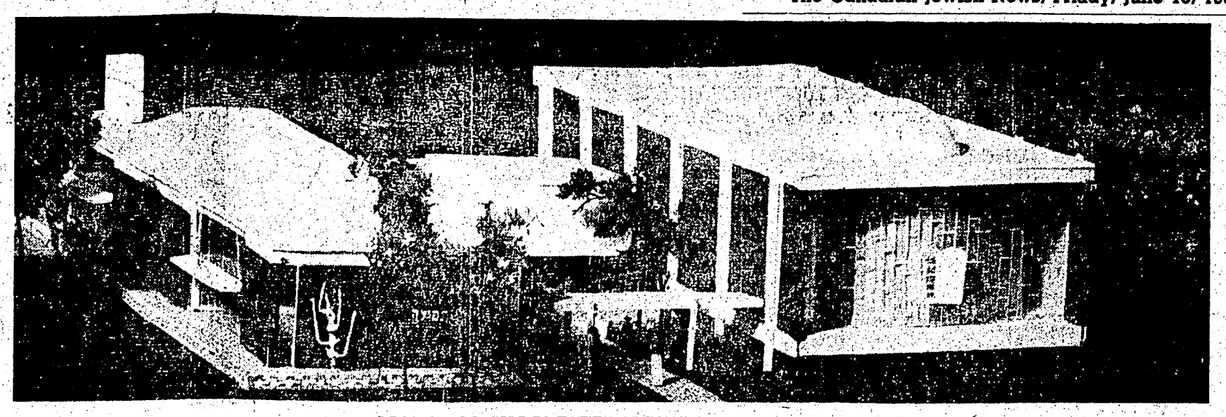

MODEL OF SHAAREI TEFILLAH'S $500,000 EDIFICE

Shaarei Tefillah Builds New Sanctuary

Thursday, June 15, Shaarei Tefillah is breaking ground for its new sanctuary.

Shaarei Tefillah's history dates back almost nine years and, from a humble beginning in the recreation room of one of its members, to the rear of a butcher store and then to a tent on the present site, the time has come when the dreams of this young congregation have culminated to the full realization of its dream.

The cost of the new structure will approximate $500,000, the money being raised solely by the congregants. To this end a great deal of credit must be given to the dynamic spiritual leader, Rabbi Bernard Rosensweig, who has worked unstintingly in this endeavor since accepting his Rabbinate with this community nine months ago. The new sanctuary, which will complete building plans, will offer every type of service required by its community.

Among those taking part in the ceremony will be such dignitaries as Reeve Norman Goodhead, Councillor Irving Paisley, visiting Rabbis.

A new and unique structure will grace Bathurst Street before the turn of the year. Shaarei Tefillah, one of Toronto's leading Orthodox congregations and the largest in the community of North York, will break ground at a ceremony to be held on Thursday, June 15, to commence construction of its new main sanctuary adjoining its existing building at 3600 Bathurst Street.

The new structure, designed by architect Irving Grossman, will be octangular in shape and designed to not only cover harmoniously the land on which it will stand but will blend with the existing building. The interior is unique in that the Bimah (officiating platform) is located in a central position in a manner so that no congregant will be further from the officiating Reader, Cantor or Rabbi than nine rows. The design is such that the seating capacity will be 850. The existing social hall which will be enlarged and the secondary social hall will furnish room for another 850 persons.

It is hoped that the building will be completed and ready for dedication during the Feast of [illegible]. As Rabbi Rosensweig puts it, "[illegible] it to be completed with the proper [illegible]cement of [illegible]ox Judaism [illegible]. It is necessary[illegible]demands of the [illegible] to make traditional, dynamic and [illegible]axiomal Judaism [illegible] to the Jewish future.

Niagara Falls Holds Important Meeting

NIAGARA FALLS ANNUAL CAMPAIGN BANQUET—Left to right: Tom Dale, Leslie Weisz, Chairman of the Evening, Controller Philip G. Givens of Toronto, Harold D. Rosberg, 1960 and 1961 campaign chairman, Dr. George J. Liban, Executive Director Central Division Z.O.C., Ferdinand Muller. Seated: Mrs. Henry Muller and Mr. Irving Ackerman, President of the B'nai Jacob Congregation, Niagara Falls, Ontario.

Under the chairmanship of Leslie Weisz, the 1961 campaign on behalf of local and overseas causes was held in the Social Hall of the B'nai Jacob Synagogue, Niagara Falls, on Sunday, June 4th.

After the invocation by Rabbi Ludwig Fleischmann, a report was given by Mr. Harold D. Rosberg, chairman of the 1960 and 1961 campaigns, on the [illegible] year's drive and [illegible] amount of $1,00[illegible] was [illegible] him on behalf [illegible] Campaign Committee, [illegible] Ackerman, for the [illegible] congregation.

The Chairman then introduced Dr. George J. Liban, Executive Director of the Zionist Organization of Canada, Central Division, who brought greetings on behalf of the Joint Fund Raising Committee, and who in turn introduced the entertainer of the evening, Miss Sylvia Grant, noted C.B.C. T.V. and Royal Opera Company singing star.

Mr. Tom Dale then introduced the guest of the evening, Controller Philip Givens of Toronto who vividly described Israel's achievements during the past thirteen years and what responsibility still falls upon world Jewry in connection with the support of Jewish refugees who are finding a new haven in this democracy in the Middle East. The capacity audience gave Controller Givens a standing ovation on the conclusion of his remarks and the appeal which was subsequently conducted by Messrs. Weisz and Rosberg resulted in over $9,000 raised that night.

The President of Young Judaea, Mr. Edward Greenspan, then presented Mr. I. Ackerman, President of the B'nai Jacob Congregation, for the community with a record player which was bought by the Niagara Falls Young Judaea from the proceeds of a special project they have had during the past season. Miss Grant concluded the programme with a second selection of Hebrew & Yiddish songs.

No Yiddish In Moscow

London (JCNS)—The "Soviet Heimland," the new Yiddish journal, will not appear until the end of July because of printing difficulties. But notices concerning subscriptions to the journal are to be issued in the next few days. The journal is primarily intended to be a literary and artistic venture.

Central Fund Approves Aid To Institutions

Now entering its third year, the Central Fund for Traditional Institutions has approved grants to 92 religious, cultural and educational institutions. The co-chairmen, Meyer W. Gasner and Mark A. Levy, reported to The Canadian Jewish News that many additional applications are still being considered and it is anticipated that the total number of institutions supported in 1961 will exceed 100, compared to 89 supported in 1960.

The co-chairmen also announced that most allocations made in 1961 will be appreciably higher than in preceeding years.

Since 1957 the Central Fund has given support to many institutions in Israel, Canada and the United States. As its objectives gain wider community acceptance, the Central Fund hopes to increase both the number of participating organizations and the size of grants.

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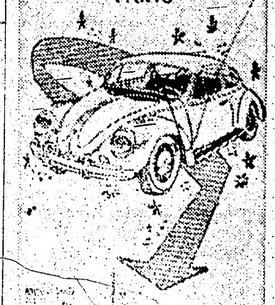

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"ASSOCIATED" HAS NEW PRESIDENT

The new president of the Associated Hebrew Schools of Toronto is, without the slightest doubt, the right man in the right place. Joseph Levine, installed last week as the leader of Toronto's model Day School, is a living example of the ideal which the **Associated** represents: "Torah Im Derekh Eretz",—Jewishness plus worldliness.

Joseph Levine is a man of profound Jewish learning, an enthusiastic worker for culture and education in the broadest sense of the word, dedicated to the eternal ideals of Old Israel and, yet, most modern in his thinking and approach to the problems confronting present-day society.—He will make a great president of this great institution.

THE CANADIAN LOOK

The Toronto police created a flurry of excitement in some quarters about a decade ago. They broadcast a search for someone wanted in a police-shooting, holdup episode. This person was described as "of Jewish appearance".

What did this mean? How could the police differentiate amongst a Jew, an Armenian, a Syrian or anyone else? Could not such a description deceive the police? According to the Jewish community, the person sought should have been described by height, complexion and other tangible features rather than by vague, racial terminology.

The latest incursion of the law enforcement agencies into the field of ethnonational identification is even more confusing. Seeking the assailants of the Rev. Mr. Hord of Etobicoke, the Attorney-General's department describes one suspect as "Canadian" and another "appearing to be Canadian".

How does a Canadian look, Mr. Kelso Roberts? Is he Eskimo, Ojibway, Norman-French, Celtic? Or is he the offspring of Edinburgh and Kielce—matched with the scion of the U. E. Loyalists?

MRS. DOOLEY OF DON MILLS

Val Grimshaw is a columnist who writes the "Woman's Side" in the Don Mills Weekly **Mirror.** Her attempt at "cracker-barrel' philosophy and smart-aleckism, in last week's issue, where she makes an effort to deal with the controversy about the religious education questionnaire, is below par for this suburban weekly.

In denigrating trustee Saul Cowan and ex-trustee Jean Dodds ("a woman I would have thought had more sense than to side up with those people") Grimshaw takes a side-swipe at two dedicated public servants.

The attempt to combine the homespun philosophy of Will Rogers and the pot-bellied stove comment of the Mr. Dooley tradition was a limping effort. All it did was to pile up name-calling and blunted invective ("Them kind of people are always fixin' for a good argument . . . In my day we just used to tell them to shut up or move on . . . That school board shouldn't have to listen to the likes of them . . . First thing you know it'll be just like Russia where the minority rules the minority . . . They're the bunch that opposes anything just for the sake of keeping themselves sufficiently stirred up . . .")

At one point in her abortive attempt at satire, Val Grimshaw, unintentionally perhaps, paid her opposition a compliment they probably deserve by predicting "these trouble-shooters won't quit until they win".

ARAB CAMOUFLAGE

The Israel Prime Minister's fresh essay in personal diplomacy, now in mid-course, has been undertaken in response to a very real challenge. The relaxation in East-West relations so long predicted has failed to materialize; on the contrary the cold war is spreading increasingly into the under-developed areas of the world, leading to growing antagonisms and instability. The process continues in the Middle East where Soviet arms and encouragement have served to confirm Arab leaders in their unremitting hostility to Israel and to increase the dangers of renewed hostilities.

So far his visits have been genuinely successful. The invitations themselves were a happy portent, particularly at this juncture, with Western leaders deeply involved in decisive negotiations and Arab pressures stronger than ever. Nothing would have been easier than for the leaders concerned to excuse themselves on the grounds of their undoubtedly heavy engagements.

Continued U.S.A. and Western support in the United Nations is vital to Israel at the present time. There is a strong movement afoot on the Arab side, with full support by the Communists and sections of the Afro-Asians and Latin-Americans to force Israel to open its doors to unlimited numbers of refugees and to accept other unacceptable measures without requiring any change in attitude on the part of the Arab states. This could seriously threaten Israel's security, which is indeed its real intention, whatever humanitarian phraseology may be used to camouflage it, and must be combated by all those who value Middle East stability.

Digest (Inter Ethnic Relations)

FILM BOARD VS. PREJUDICE

Canadian Jewish News 16-6-61

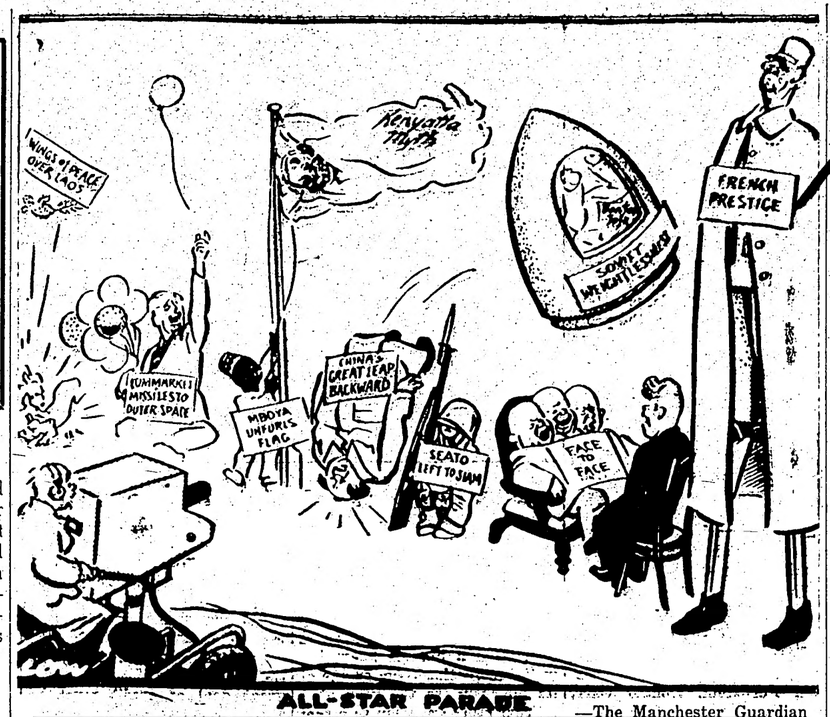
Canada is indeed fortunate in having a governmental agency like the National Film Board which acts as a public relations agent for Canada abroad. It helps build a sense of national unity within the country, and helps promote a production of films that tell the story of good group relations.

In other countries this role is often filled by private agencies. Here a government agency has assumed this responsibility. The "Canada Carries On" programme of the war years, films on Nova Scotia crafts and the Ukrainian folkways of the prairies, have been telling Canadians about each other. In the last few years the National Film Board has added a new dimension to its programming: demonstrating the peril of racial prejudice.

Its first effort, "A Day In The Night Of Jonathan Mole", was subject to criticism: it was adjudged to have set up as an objective the reflection of the bigot pictured as a monster too unrealistic so that few viewers could see themselves in such a role. Others felt it to be a hard-hitting film and applauded vigorously.

The Film Board's and Labour Department's newest production, "Everybody's Prejudiced", is a piece with a more subtle technique. It discusses prejudices and discrimination of all kinds: food, taste and "way of life" (the beatnik versus the clean-cut,athletic type) and finally, in racial and religious prejudice, deals in the more vital area of human relations.

Whether the Film Board has as yet reached the most effective way in handling this delicate theme may still be questioned. Agencies in other lands, however, who have been at it longer are still seeking the way. We welcome NFB's experimenting and contribution.



ALL-STAR PARADE —The Manchester Guardian

Canadian Panorama

BY MORDECAI HIRSHENSON

JESSEL'S JIBES ANNOY

Charles Lazarus, writing in the Montreal Jewish Chronicle, takes a dig at George Jessel, who apparently behaves the same way everywhere:

"It never seems to occur to anyone who arranges for George Jessel to act as pitchman at Israel Bond affairs that the man has little grace and tact and is not above uttering obscenities before a mixed audience, all but turning a nice spiritually-stimulating dinner in a house of worship into something resembling a stag party."

Similar complaints were heard about Jessel's behavior in Toronto the last few times that certain Jewish organizations were indiscreet enough to book him.

A PARSON VIEWS THE JEWS

The Rev. E. W. Harrison, who is a Quebec City Anglican clergyman, discusses Jews and Antisemitism in the June issue of "The Churchman," official organ of his church. He recently in a previous column suggested that "we have at the very heart of our faith" referring to "the most sensitive tests of the Christian Church" its relationship with the Jews."

Apparently Mr. Harrison met with some criticism for his remarks for he goes on to say:

"Many, however, take the view that any attempt to regard the Jews as friends and partners is foolish with wide-eyed and doomed innocence.

"In general, I have been informed that if I lived in certain areas of Montreal, Toronto and New York, I would soon discover what Jews were **really** like. I have been informed that they gang up for the purpose of attacking Christianity, controlling communities for their own ends and taking more than their share of the commercial dollar. I have, finally, been told that I would be better occupied looking at the problems in my own back yard and letting the rest of the world do what it wants. This last point has been associated with motes, beams and eyes."

The Quebec City Church of England pastor has this to say about these remarks:

"As a matter of fact there are many Jews who fulfill the description the prejudiced Gentile has laid down. They **do** try to control affairs; they **do** act as pressure groups; they **do** build up fine businesses at the expense of Gentile competition; they are aggressive about Christian education in our schools. There are many Jews who are dishonest, untruthful and corrupt.

"Of course there are. Jews are human. They are creatures of God and—by their own scriptures— **fallen** creatures of God. They recognize, as we do, that sin is not an academic exercise in philosophy but a living reality in all men.

"I have not noticed that pressure groups are composed exclusively of Jews. Roman Catholics foist their religious shiboleths on the rest of us in Hollywood movies, Massachusetts birth control laws, and Quebec censorship. Other Christians, for all their air of breezy toleration, have successfully squeezed out the Indians in many a congregation by bringing pressure on the local legislators.

"I have not noticed that Jews are the only ones who build up business at the expense of other competition. The Christian department stores compete vigorously and weep few tears when a Jewish firm goes bankrupt. And, if you are thinking that there are some phony bankrupcies in Jewish circles, take a look at the figures and see how many there are amongst the Gentiles.

"The fact is that Jews are very wicked people. So are Anglicans, United, Roman Catholics and any other denomination you care to name. So are the Jehovah's Witnesses, Hindus, Buddhists, Agnostics and Humanitarians. Those who wrote learnedly about motes, beams and eyes were quoting a wonderful piece of Jesus' teaching; and we can take it to heart in all contexts. As we are tested, none of us is found good or even passable.

"This fellowship in sin is reflected by fellowship in salvation. The Christian has no monopoly of repentance. If we believe the Old Testament we have to accept the fact that God is interested in the Jews and has saved them in terms of penitence and forgiveness. If we look at the modern Jewish world we have to admit that God is still with His people. No race could have come through the early part of the twentieth century with such great achievement had they been on their own."

SOME ANGLICANS DOUBT SCHOOL RELIGION

Australia (or at least the state of South Australia) permits denominational religious teaching in its public schools. But it is done by clerymen only and the reason seems to be that the churches do not trust the school teachers to handle the very delicate job of inculcating belief. After all, the teachers may not believe the doctrine themselves and this indifference is bound to rub off on the pupils. The Rt. Rev. Thomas Reed, an Australian bishop who doesn't want school teachers to be entrusted with religious teaching, tells why as quoted in the Canadian Churchman (Anglican Church organ):

"The teaching of religion as a collection of ideas, or principles, or beliefs, or facts, by expertly trained teachers who do not wholeheartedly believe the truths they seek to teach and who do not live the life they commend, might provide the children with information and enable them to pass examinations, but it could hardly be expected to convert them to Christ or to build them up into the Boy of Christ.

"The end of Christian education is to produce men and women who love God and serve Him, not to produce clever devils who know all about God, all about the Church, all about the Christian life, but who live as pagans and whose only use for the name of our Blessed Lord is for purposes of profanity."

"WEAKNESSES" OF CLASS-ROOM TEACHING

That elements in the Anglican Church here are not entirely happy with the present system of religious education in Ontario public schools has been obvious for some time despite the loud militancy of such advocates as the Dean of Scarborough or the pastoral letters of the Bishops of Toronto and Huron. The columnist in the Canadian Churchman seems to share certain misgivings for he goes as follows:

"Bishop Reed's emphasis on the need for believers to give religious teaching exposes one of the weaknesses of Canadian classroom religious teaching. It also gives point to the editorial in the May issue of The Pentecostal Testimony. This editorial begins:

'God has charged Christian parents with certain responsibilities. There is an area of parental relationship and responsibility which cannot be delegated to the church, Sunday school, public school or anyone outside the family circle.

'Basically, this consists of recognizing that parental authority and responsibility come from God. In both the Old and New Testaments the Word of God emphasizes that children are the gift of God and that parenthood is an extension of God's authority in the Christian home.'

"This is a sound statement of the theological basis for parenthood. That children are the gift of God is recognized by most parents in the first flush of joy after the birth of the firstborn. But in the busyness of life they too often forget that, as the editorial says, 'the raising of the Christian's children is a matter of stewardship, just as much as the handling of the Lord's money.'

"The only weakness in this editorial is that it speaks as if only **Christian** parents have such stewardship. It is, of course, true of all human parents, whether they perceive it or not."

CAUSES FOR WORRY

The Churchman's columnist is clearly concerned about two aspects of the Ontario system that worry him:

a) professional school teachers cannot be entrusted with the imparting of religion, and

b) by leaving religion to the schools the parents may slough off their own very vital responsibility in the field.

THE CREDO OF A CANADIAN JEW

BY SIDNEY M. HARRIS

It is time—if it is not indeed too late — for a re-examination of our principles. We are B'nai B'rith, sons of the covenant, the covenant of God with Israel at Sinai that the Jewish shall be a light unto the nations. Now, to be a light unto nations means to assume responsibilities, to be expressed through our example and our conduct, individually and collectively. Our faith is founded on the love of mercy, the doing of justice, and the humble pursuit of the ways of the Lord. A few days ago, Simon Greenberg, the Vice-Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary, reminded a group of Jewish communal workers in Toronto of the concept of kiddush ha'shem—sanctification of the Name—so living, that is, as to exemplify the commandments given us in our Torah, enjoining us to observe the mitzvot of tzedakah and rachmonis, to provide for the less fortunate and for the stranger, to refrain from oppression, and to judge in righteousness.

The programmes of community relations in which we engage are unfortunately too often necessarily concerned with prevention of chillul ha'shem rather than with occasioning kiddushim. We are too frequently "against" and too seldom "for." We are too much committed to concepts of defence and anti-defamation and too little devoted to those of social justice by which our faith is so deeply enriched. We are prone to forget our mission, and we often function merely as a sounding board and reaction pad for indignation and sorrow.

It is a sad commentary on our activities that members of B'nai B'rith, as indeed of most other organizations, leave it for their presidents and chairmen to be spokesmen and retreat with excuses and justifications for inaction when they are afforded the chance to stand up and be counted. We know, for instance, how hard it is to make the decision to exempt a child from the religious education programme in the Ontario schools, and how desperately few of our parents will do it—so few, indeed, that we are frequently faced with the suggestion that in opposing religious instruction in the public schools the JPRC does not voice the will of its constituents, since obviously they do not object to their children taking the course.

There is now, in Toronto, an opportunity for the Jewish community to show its concept of ethics and morality in regard to the strike at the Royal York Hotel, and within recent weeks the moment of truth and decision came to many Jews, community leaders and lay persons alike. They were found wanting. We all recall with pride the day that a Jewish cabinet minister resigned his post to walk with the workers, rather than ride with General Motors. Last week, a thousand or more Jews in Toronto crossed picket lines at the Royal York Hotel to enjoy an Angels' Ball and a B'nai B'rith installation.

The Lodge, one of B'nai B'rith's many in Toronto, had a chance as a unit to stand for justice — to earn the respect and admiration of an entire community — by the simple expedient of cancelling an Installation, surely a comparatively unnecessary function in the light of the larger principle. The installing officer, the incoming President, the Committee chairman, all were faced with decision, and all were found wanting. They would have acclaimed their ethical stature had they refused to cross the line. Sadly, their courage was lacking. More sad than the lack of courage was the flimsiness and contrivance of the excuses and justifications given — prior commitment, an orchestral contract, and most shocking of all, "of what little significance would just their one protest be!"

This single B'nai B'rith and this one National Council of Jewish Women branch are not the only Jewish offenders. They are but examples of the larger lunacy. How many national and international Jewish religious organizations, for example, meet in the segregated contaminated atmosphere of Miami Beach? Conservative and Reform Jewish governing bodies — I exclude the Orthodox only because I am not sure whether they have offended or not — have within the last two years held major conventions there — the Jewish passion for freedom and justice basks now forgotten in the sunlight of Florida's white sands! How long would these places and their damnable racial hatreds survive in the face of the refusal of religious and spiritually committed bodies and persons to patronize them? How warm our hearts would be — rather than our pale untanned bodies — if we made our action accord with our expressed principles, if we gave prophetic Judaism a chance to show in action its ideals of ethical monotheism.

A dream — and a wasted one, for we Jews too often lack the guts to stand and be counted for justice — except, of course, when we are the direct victims o fthe injustice. Frankly, I have found many representative Jews acting in ways of which I cannot be proud — true, we are making a world wide show of our passion for justice in Jerusalem, but we are not among those present when social justice calls for our action here at home, where the spotlight is lacking. Our leaders preach action, our people sit inactive. Our pitifully few devoted men of good will are the rule-proving exceptions. The lessons of our ADL, JPRC, Canadianism and Civic Affairs leaders are really wasted. The ethics of Judaism, sadly enough, remain concealed beneath the Torah mantle and seldom leave the chancels of our modern worship palaces. Our forbears in their shtetlach and shteeblach knew that workers' picket lines were not to be crossed; they knew that human dignity, whether of a worker, a Negro, or a Jew, was of value as the dignity of a human being. Today, a new generation knows not the oppressed; we are not a light unto the nations; we stand unconcerned with principle; we worship expediency, pleasure, and fund raising, whatever the cost to our souls and the unpaid debt to our inheritance.

Sermon For The Week

THE FATEFUL CHOICE

And Moses sent to call to Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab; and they said: We will not come up (Numbers, XVI. 12)

In this verse is revealed the contrast between the character of Moses and the character of his enemies. Moses had been insulted and harassed by these people. He had been accused of seizing power and honors for himself that rightfully belonged to others. And yet he quietly and patiently persisted in trying to make peace with them. He asked them to come up and meet with him so that the quarrel might be mediated.

But Dathan and Abiram answered arrogantly: We will not come up. They refused to negotiate. The sages of the Midrash say that they sealed their own fate. Because they said we will not come up: therefore they went down into the pit instead.

The fate of Dathan and Abiram is an object lesson to a world that is immersed in bitter quarrelling. Unless we are willing to go up to meet each other and to negotiate our differences peacefully, we may all go down to destruction instead.

But there comes a time in human affairs when negotiations are impossible because there is no goodwill. Dathan and Abiram were troublemakers with whom no settlement could be made. They were bitter because they had been taken out of Egypt and had not yet entered the land of milk and honey. They resented their situation because they preferred to have slavery than to be deprived of material comforts on the way to freedom. What Moses was teaching the people in the desert was of no interest to them. What their children would inherit in the promised land meant nothing to them. Their one concern was for their own physical comfort and their own material possessions. They were people who would gladly sell Sinai for a vineyard or trade the Torah for financial gain.

With people such as these Moses could not make peace. For his defence that "I too have not profited" did not impress them. His example of selfless devotion did not affect them. His efforts to explain that the period of the wilderness had purpose and that life involves spirit as well as food fell on deaf ears. These people would not go up to hear such an elevated conception of human existence. Therefore they went down.

There can always be negotiations over means. There can be peace and cooperation between those who respect the same values. But between those who strive to educate the heart and to purify the soul of man, and those who are contemptuous of everything that is not material, there can be no understanding. Moses was concerned about the character of the people that was gradually being led from slavery to freedom, about the education of their offspring, and about their task in life. Dathan and Abiram were only interested in fields and pastures. Moses's message has endured. Dathan and Abiram perished in the desert.

The men who were in such a hurry to reach the promised land never got there. But in every generation the quarrel continues, between those who have the vision of Moses, and those that make the demands of Dathan and Abiram

THE NORTH-AMERICAN SCENE

By Dr. OSCAR HANDLIN

JEWISH COMMUNITY RESPONSIBILITY

At its recent annual meeting in New York the American Jewish Committee once more affirmed its reluctance to become involved in any effort to create a central body that could speak authoritatively for the Jews of the United States. It thus kept alive an issue that has troubled American Jews for the past four decades. The significance of the problem was emphasized a little later when Prime Minister Ben-Gurion chose to issue a statement on the relationship of Israel to the Jews of the United States through the former president of the committee; the other national organizations objected, not only because of the implied preference, but also because the group thus singled out has stubbornly insisted on retaining its freedom of action.

The desire for centralization was expressed a century ago. But it became a serious problem during the First World War. Since then four efforts to create a single voice for American Jewry have failed. The American Jewish Congress and the American Jewish Conference briefly operated as instruments through which unity of action could be achieved, and the National Community Relations Advisory Council for a few years co-ordinated the activities of the various defence agencies. All these experiments failed through the withdrawal of the American Jewish Committee.

Current efforts in the same direction took form in the aftermath of the Suez crisis. The presidents of seventeen national organizations began to meet in an attempt to influence the policy of the American government in favor of Israel. The committee has also refused to participate in this venture. The American Council for Judaism is, of course, excluded by virtue of its anti-Zionism. As a result there is still no single body capable of representing all Jewish opinion in the United States.

Two powerful forces which joined in promoting such a body have thus been frustrated for more than forty years. Almost from the start the Zionist movement has sought such centralization in order to enlist the organized Jewish community in its support. Pressure from this source reached its peak at the time of Suez, but it has abated only slightly since then and seems likely to persist into the indefinite future.

The other significant impulse toward centralization emanates from those who bear the major responsibility for financing the activities of American community life. The price of voluntarism in the United States is the obligation to sustain the heavy and complex budgets of numerous local institutions, of the multitude of national organizations and of overseas relief. The larger contributors have always been eager to create an orderly pattern for the collection and disbursement of funds and they regard centralization as a desirable step in that direction. In almost every city the drives are now knotted into a common appeal and community councils are the means of co-ordinating action. The local appeals are federated on a national basis, and an influential budgeting committee makes suggestions on the proper allocation of funds. Only recently a cultural foundation was established to perform analogous services for the numerous autonomous cultural organizations. The "big givers" regard these as necessary steps towards efficiency.

Despite such pressures the centrifugal forces in American Jewish life still inhibit centralization. The genuine social, ideological, sectional and economic differences that divide Jews cannot simply be glossed over in the name of unity and efficiency. Furthermore, the character of voluntary associations in the United States encourages splintering rather than centralization. Minorities cannot be compelled to accede to the wishes of majorities; they remain free, if they wish, to withdraw or to abstain from common action, as the American Jewish Committee has repeatedly done.

On balance, looseness of control has thus far strengthened the community. Individuals have remained free to choose their own terms of affiliation and participation, and have rarely confronted the alternatives of total commitment or total detachment. A rapidly changing, fluid society composed of many disparate elements has thus been able to adjust sensitively to the shift in its own needs and interests. That flexibility has more than offset the presumed losses in efficiency and order that are the products of decentralization.

TORONTO ORBIT

By BERNICE DYMENT

THE TALK OF OUR TOWN: Toronto's Counterpart of the "Peace Corps" . . . Gleanings From Abroad . . . Shakespeare—On the Wing

The belief that every responsible citizen has an active and significant role to play in shaping the character of the world we live in seems of late to be finding broader acceptance amongst many people. A case in point—Ben Frimer and his family of Toronto. The expression of this conviction will be a tangible one next fall, for then they will welcome into their home an as-yet-unknown student from one of the emerging African nations.

As we have all done, the Frimers read about the struggles of the new nations to educate their people, they saw TV programs depicting the primitive conditions of life in the Congo and elsewhere, they heard of President Kennedy's "Peace Corps." To them, this was no abstract notion, not "somebody else's problem," but rather a vital cause the success of which will ultimately affect all of us, everywhere in the free world. It is a cause with "heart"—and the Frimers are people with wonderfully warm hearts.

They contacted officials of Toronto's "African Students Foundation" and offered a room in their home, and free board, for any young African student coming to attend the University of Toronto where their eldest son, Michael, is also an honor pre-med student. Needless to say, this offer was warmly received by the Foundation which has already been successful in obtaining a number of scholarships for such students from the university. Carefully selected for their academic ability, the students must also give evidence of their desire to learn and other qualities of character which will make them suitable as future leaders of their countries. This last phrase "future leaders of their countries" is the real core of the idea, for the personal experiences of such a future leader will help to color the picture of Canada he will take back home with him. This may be an over-simplification, but its importance cannot be overlooked, just as the impact of "The Freedom Riders" 'down south on the African people cannot be overlooked. What happens, everywhere, good or bad—counts for something and what the Frimers and families like them are doing are all on the "credit" side of our ledger.

It is very commendable also that so many members of our community hold positions of responsibility on the African Students Foundation. Among others I found the names of Frank Wolman, treasurer; Prof. Ronald Cohen and Rabbi Abraham Feinberg, on the Advisory Board; Harry B. Kohl, Sam Posluns, David Melnik, Morden Yolles, Alvin Rosenberg, Samuel J. Kelner, Martin Levinson, Vernon Singer, M.P.P., on the Campaign Committee.

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GLEANINGS FROM ABROAD

It is always interesting to note the degree of interest displayed by Jewish publications abroad in Canadian-Jewish affairs, a measure of which is the frequency of Canadian datelines which appear in the "Jewish Chronicle" of London, England. A recent copy of this periodical was passed on to me the other day wherein appeared the following item of local interest:

An advertisement placed by the Canadian Jewish Congress, Toronto office, announcing a number of openings for "Rabbis with pedagogical training and experience in teaching, or qualified teachers."

Canadian capital which is the primary source of finance for "Supersol Ltd.," Israel's supermarket chain, reports earning before taxes up 83 per cent in 1960, while sales rose 13 per cent.

SHAKESPEARE—ON THE WING

This year, for the first time, Toronto patrons of the Stratford Festival will be able to commune with the Bard, Air-cargo-style. Commencing June 19 daily flights will leave Malton or Toronto Island Airport for the 40-minute flight to a private airfield near Stratford where cars will be waiting to transport passengers to the festival theatre. The return fare is modest—$12.75, and will be a particularly welcome service to American visitors who will be able to transfer from flights arriving at Malton directly to the Stratford plane.

Another innovation for this year's festival will be the staging of the first play by a Canadian to be performed there. The play, "The Canvas Barricade," by Donald Lamond Jack, is a fantasy, with music composed by Harry Freedman of Toronto. Mr. Freedman is no stranger to the banks of the Avon—he was a member of the first theatre orchestra to perform at the festival. A few months ago another composition by Harry Freedman—his "First Symphony," was featured at the Inter-American Festival of Music in Washington, D.C., by the CBC Symphony Orchestra.

And still in the dramatic vein, Howard Adelman, a University of Toronto student, will have the distinction of having his play, "Root Out of Dry Ground," performed at Hart House next season as part of the regular series of productions. This will be the first play from the university to be produced at Hart House since the theatre opened.

Mr. Albert Pratz, one of Toronto's most distinguished musical artists and concertmaster of the CBC Symphony Orchestra, is to be first violinist of the newly-formed "Canadian String Quartet" which is being sponsored by the University of Toronto. Like its predecessor, the Hart House String Quartet, the new one will also present an annual series of chamber music concerts, classical and contemporary, on the campus and will coach other string ensembles in addition to teaching advanced students of the university's Faculty of Music.

The Woman And The Home

OUR SENIOR CITIZENS — FIRST OF A CJN SERIES

Old Age Holds No Fear For Them

Old age holds no fears for 200 fortunate folk in a quiet corner of Toronto. They enjoy life at its fullest—rich with physical and spiritual care where not too many years ago these aged citizens might have waited only for death.

They are the 200 residents of the Jewish Home for the Aged on Bathurst St. The Home and Baycrest Hospital in the same building are unique projects which have made marked progress in their dedicated mission to give "more years to life—more life to years."

The Jewish Home for the Aged began modestly in 1918 in a double fronted house on Cecil St. in downtown Toronto. Although its staff gave devoted service it was hampered by a desperate lack of space and facilities for properly caring for the aged of the community.

Just over six years ago after a successful fund raising campaign the Jewish Home for the Aged was able to move into spacious, specially built quarters on a picturesque site in North York.

The move meant room for 200 residents and expanded facilities for occupational and physiotherapy and for adequate medical attention. Medical facilities were afforded through an integrated program with the New Mount Sinai Hospital and Baycrest Hospital for the chronically ill which was opened on the fourth floor of the new building.

Baycrest Hospital with all its 87 beds occupied and a lengthy waiting period for each bed as it becomes available, serves patients in need of rehabilitation or extended medical care.

The home and hospital are separate entities although they share the same medical staff and administration. Together they have made dramatic progress in medical and public knowledge in care for the aged. Research projects have been initiated at the hospital and the work is continuing. The results of these projects which cast new light on the field of geriatrics are shared with the medical world through lectures and the medium of medical journals.

The hospital is one of the few in Canada to be recognized by the Canadian Council of Hospital Accreditation. The council highly commended the medical staff and the care given to patients. A tribute to the staff and the care they give is the fact that the discharge rate has been steadily rising.

While only a few years ago patients in hospitals for the chronically ill were mostly considered terminal; today at Baycrest some are returning to their homes and to useful active lives.

The Jewish Home for the Aged has two sections. On the garden floor is the special care section which has 45 residents in various stages of senility. They need care in the everyday functions of eating, dressing, hygience, etc. They require maximum amount of attention and special understanding from the staff. With it they are able to make real progress and some take part in the home's many activities.

The two other floors are occupied by the 155 residents who are better able to take care of themselves with the help of the staff. They live in bright, airy bed-sitting rooms which are comfortably furnished. Husbands and wives may live together and there has been more than one marriage among the residents.

Meals are served in the spacious dining room which has a view of the landscaped gardens. The modern kosher kitchen caters to as many as 30 different diets since more than half the residents require special food—for ulcers, diabetes, low-salt and many others.

Recreation plays an important part in life at the home and hospital. Professional workers aided by a team of volunteers keep the residents involved and busy with concerts, bingo games, card nights, lectures, sing songs and even dancing.

The average age of residents is now 82 and occupational therapy has given many of them a new lease on life.

"We have had them at 95 starting to do handicrafts for the first time in their lives," said Winnifred Reay, staff occupational therapist, who heads the department.

"We start them with something simple and then they progress to other things like rug making, weaving or basketry," she said.

Other occupational therapy work is done in ceramics, painting, sewing, knitting and carpentry. All these activities serve a dual purpose. They stimulate the mind and bring new strength to flagging muscles.

Spiritual life at the home and hospital centres around the synagogue, which is large and designed in striking simplicity. In it daily residents are to be found at prayer or engrossed in Talmudic study groups. Residents conduct all services themselves except for the High Holidays when a cantor is invited because the strain would be too much on them.

There is an extensive library consisting mainly of Hebrew and Yiddish books and is cared for by a resident.

Despite its fine work the Home's contribution to the need of the aged members of the Jewish community is still sadly limited by lack of space.

The waiting list now numbers 300 and it takes close to three years to admit an applicant. There are more than 6,500 persons in the Jewish community who are now over 65. The need for the facilities of the home grows daily.

The hospital too is in urgent need of space.

The building expansion campaign which opened June 1 with an objective of $4,500,000 signifies the beginning of new hope for many aged citizens.

Plans call for a new Jewish Home for the Aged which will house 355 residents, facilities to extend the day care program to 200 instead of the 70 now participating, and a nursing wing which will afford maximum nursing care for those who need it.

The latter is important because there is a dearth of good or even adequate nursing homes for Jewish people in Toronto.

The present building will be converted into a bigger Baycrest Hospital and it will have 180 beds. The hospital will also have a much needed out-patient department to give continued care to discharged patients and for those in the community who find it impossible to reach the New Mount Sinai Hospital. The out-patient department will also feature preventive medical care for the aged.

For hundreds of the old folks of the Jewish community the success of the campaign will mean a haven of comfort, security and friendship in their twilight years.

THE ADMISSION POLICY of the Jewish Home for the Aged is simple. Priority is given to those whose need is greatest and who can most benefit from the Home's facilities. All applicants — like this couple — are interviewed by the trained social service staff. Their application is processed and passed to an Admissions Committee made up of community leaders. At the present time it takes three years before an applicant can be admitted. Yet there are 300 on the waiting list.

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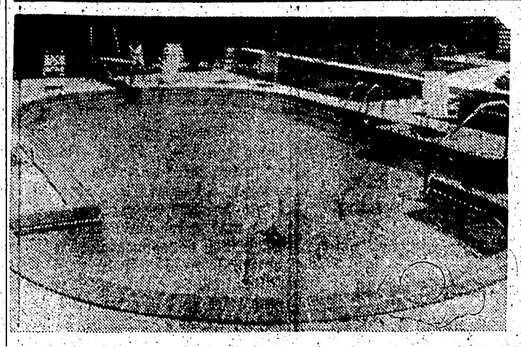

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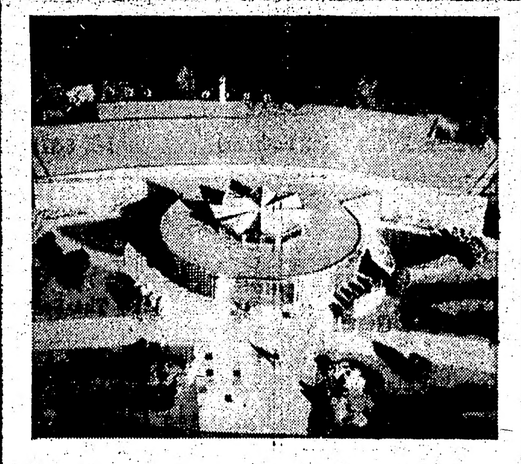

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Mainly About Women

By ESTHER ZELDIN

● The annual Theatre Night of the Women's Auxiliary of the Jewish Home for the Aged and Bayerest Hospital was held on Sunday, June 4th, at the O'Keefe Centre.

Receiving the guests in the lounge were Mr. and Mrs. Abe Posluns, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel L. Gans and Mrs. Samuel Ruth.

Among the honorary patrons were: the Premier of Ontario, Hon. Leslie Frost and Mrs. Frost, Senator David Croll and Mrs. Croll, Mayor Nathan Phillips and Mrs. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gardiner, Mr. and Mrs. J. Irving Oelbaum, Dr. and Mrs. Maxwell Bochner, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Zweig, Mr. and Mrs. Morris H. Epstein, Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Brenner, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Godfrey, Mrs. Jack J. Silverman, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Godfrey, Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Norris, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Zacks, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel H. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Soles, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Frankel, Dr. and Mrs. Louis Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Levinter and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dubin.

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● Mrs. Maxwell Goldhar opened her Forest Hill Rd. home for a "Patroness Tea" held by the Ladies Auxiliary of Northwestern General Hospital on Wednesday, May 31st.

Mrs. L. R. Davis was the tea convener.

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● Mrs. N. I. Zemans of Calgary was re-elected president for a second term of the National Council of Jewish Women at its annual convention.

The new executive includes: vice - presidents, Mrs. N. F. Gropper, Saskatoon; Mrs. Abe Hollenberg, Winnipeg; Mrs. Victor Drache, Vancouver; Mrs. Phillip Vineberg, Montreal, and Mrs. Morris Cohen, Ottawa.

Recording secretary is Mrs. Barney Morris, Toronto; assistant recording secretary, Mrs. Leon Gasner, Toronto; treasurer, Mrs. Martin Bloom, Toronto; assistant treasurer, Mrs. Irving Appleby, Toronto.

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● More than 2900 canvassers of the North York Unit of the Canadian Cancer Society attended a "Success Tea" on Wednesday, June 7th, in the Edwards Gardens.

The guests were received by the conveners: Mrs. Vernon Singer, Mrs. Egmont Frankel, Mrs. A. J. Bruder, Mrs. M. C. Shirriff, Mr. Carl B. French and Mrs. J. David Flavelle.

Among the zone chairmen and board members pouring tea were Mrs. Samuel Goldenberg, Mrs. Jack Simon, Mrs. Murray Korn, Mrs. Percy Shiner, Mrs. L. L. Mazon, Mrs. D. L. Norton, Mrs. R. F. Hearst and Mrs. Joseph Golden.

● Mrs. Bernard Mayer, coordinating chairman for the Youth Aliyah campaign, gave her final report of the Youth Aliyah activities at the closing luncheon of the Hadassah Organization on Monday, June 5th, at the Holy Blossom Temple.

The newly formed twenty-five-member Hadassah choir, organized by Mrs. Max Smolack and under the direction of Mrs. Ruth Cooper, sang selections in English, Hebrew and Yiddish.

A satire, "A Hatful of Fun," was presented by the Hadassah Drama Group.

Mrs. Bert Cooper installed the new slate of officers: President, Mrs. Sydney Wise; vice-presidents, Mrs. Allan Small, Mrs. Bernard Mayer; recording secretary, Mrs. Saul Wolfe; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Irving Frisch; treasurer, Mrs. Frank Goldberg; project chairmen, Mrs. Morris Kaufman, Mrs. Bernard Mayer, Mrs. Murray Herman, Mrs. Irving Matlow, Mrs. Gabriel Alter and Mrs. Mannie Brown.

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● Head table guests at the 11th National Biennial Convention Banquet of the National Council of Jewish Women, held on Wednesday, May 31st, in the Sheraton Room of the King Edward Hotel, were: Mrs. Raanan Sivan, first secretary of the Israeli Embassy; Rabbi Jacob J. Eisen, Mrs. N. I. Zemans of Calgary, national president; Mrs. Benjamin Robinson of Montreal, president of the International Council of Jewish Women; Dr. Reva Gerstein, Mrs. S. J. Cohen of Montreal, Mrs. N. F. Gropper of Saskatoon, Mrs. Harold Lorie, Mrs. Abe Levine, Mrs. Julia Schultz, Mrs. Martin Bloom, Mrs. Harry Stein and Mrs. Barney Morris.

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● On Saturday, June 3rd, more than 600 guests attended a Calypso Cocktail Party sponsored by Emek Chapter, Hadassah, at the Blaine Dr. home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Daniels.

Receiving the guests were the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. J. Daniels, and the president of Emek Chapter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. D. Resnick.

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● Rabbi Albert Pappenheim installed the newly elected officers of the B'nai Israel-Beth David Sisterhood on Tuesday, June 6th.

The new executive includes: President, Mrs. Murray Vernon; vice-presidents, Mrs. Irving Atin, Mrs. Harold Cohen, Mrs. Joseph Feldt and Mrs. Murray Sherr; recording secretary, Mrs. Jack Schlifer; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Sidney Fox; financial secretary, Mrs. Alfred Pilch; dues treasurer, Mrs. Jack Gertzbein.

Greetings were brought to the new officers by Mr. Max Goody, president of the congregation, and Mr. Mel Katzman, president of the brotherhood.

A farewell address was given by the immediate past president, Mrs. Morris Kanoff.

Chairman of the evening was Mrs. Joseph Feldt.

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● At a recent meeting of the Golda Meir Club, Pioneer Women, held at the home of Mrs. H. Pike, 60 Prince Charles Dr., Mrs. W. Eisenberg, president of the club, gave her impressions of her recent trip to Israel.

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● Mrs. M. Starkman, newly elected president of the Toronto Hebrew Day School Parent's Association, recently entertained the 56-member executive body at a dessert and coffee luncheon at her Lyonsgate Rd. home.

Included on the 1961-62 slate of officers are: President, Mrs. M. Starkman; vice - president, Mrs. M. Silverberg; secretaries, Mrs. R. Frankel and Mrs. J. Garelick; treasurers, Mrs. W. Strom and Mrs. S. Greenstein; programme chairman, Mrs. J. Burke; library chairman, Mrs. L. Green; gift ship, Mrs. I. M. Cass; ad convener, Mrs. J. Bornstein; tea convener, Mrs. M. Silverberg; dance convener, Mrs. N. Kurtz; monthly bulletin, Mrs. M. A. Teitel; publicity, Mrs. L. Weinberg.

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● The Ladies Auxiliary of the General Wingate Branch, Royal Canadian Legion, held its annual tea on Sunday, June 4th, at the home of Mrs. S. Sperling, 84 Denbigh Cres.

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● Beth Emeth Sisterhood held its second annual donor dinner on Monday, June 5th.

Chairman of the dinner was Mrs. Ralph Chernin. On her committee were: Mrs. Cecil Green, Mrs. Ben Kirzner, Mrs. Marvin Fox, Mrs. Sam Goldenberg and Mrs. George Foxman.

Seated at the head table were: Rabbi and Mrs. Joseph Kelman, Mr. and Mrs. David Anisman, Mr. and Mrs. Barney Barenholtz, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Chernin, Mr. and Mrs. George Foxman and Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Shulman.

A musical play, presented by members of the brotherhood and sisterhood, was directed by Mrs. Josie Gebirtig and Mr. and Mrs. Moe Rosen.

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● Members of Ben Gurion Club, Pioneer Women, held their closing dinner on Tuesday, June 6th, at the Barclay Hotel.

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● Mrs. Lou Tanz was elected president of the Sinai Service Group at a recent meeting held at the home of Mrs. Robert Gall.

Her executive includes Mrs. H. Halpern, 1st vice-president and Mrs. M. Freedman, 2nd vice-president.

The new slate of officers was presented by Mrs. Jack Kay.

Chairman of the meeting was Mrs. Hy. Bocknek.

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● The Five Pin Tournament for the Toronto Jewish Women Bowlers was held on May 25th through to June 1st at Playtime Bowl.

The Dolly Rabow trophy was presented to the captain of the winning team, Estelle Grosberg of the Forest Hill Ladies, by Mrs. Dolly Rabow, the tournament chairman.

Tournament top scorers were Min Staiman and Helen Gula of the Ray Bow-Lers.

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● Mr. Hye Lampert, president of Toronto B'nai B'rith co-ordinating committee, recently installed the new slate of officers of Ontario chapter, B'nai B'rith, at the Noshery restaurant.

SOCIAL

Impressive Bar Mitzvah

On the Sabbath morning of May 20th, at the Adath Israel Congregation, the Bar Mitzvah of Shawn Elliot Scherer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Scherer took place before 150 guests.

The sister of the Bar Mitzvah Bochur is Elaine Joy. The proud grandmother is Mrs. E. Lastman.

Coming from Rio de Janiero to attend the Bar Mitzvah of their nephew were Mr. and Mrs. M. Strasberg. At at luncheon, following the services, Mr. Nathan Lastman, uncle of the Bar Mitzvah, delightfully entertained the many guests in his role as master of ceremonies.

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HADDOCK FILLETS IN FOIL

½ lb. mushrooms, chopped
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finely chopped green onion
margarine
1 cup Bechamel sauce
1 tablespoon French mustard

Simmer mushrooms in melted margarine until dark. Add salt and pepper to taste. Spread on each fish fillet; add a sprinkle of lemon juice and some of the onion; fold over. Place each fillet on a large piece of foil. Dot with margarine and spread with Bechamel sauce seasoned with mustard. Fold foil to seal in fillets. Place on baking sheet and bake in hot oven (400 degrees) about 20 minutes. Yields 5 servings.

FOOD TIP: Most fish require short cooking time at low to moderate temperature.

BECHAMEL SAUCE

2 tablespoons buttter
2 tablespoons minced onions
2 tablespoons flour
2½ cups hot milk
½ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon white pepper
pinch nutmeg
½ teaspoon mustard

Melt butter in a small saucepan. Add onions and saute about 3 minutes over medium flame; onions should turn golden but not brown. Stir in flour. Add milk, cook, stirring constantly until smooth. Add salt, pepper and mustard (nutmeg may be omitted if mustard is used) and cook over low flame for about 20 minutes, stirring occasionally. Strain. Makes about 2 cups.

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RESURRECTION

by Ruthie

Never will I forget my first maid. I risk dating myself by saying that she began to work for me on the eve of World War II. In those days, a dollar still was a dollar. For two dollars, Resurrection worked from nine in the morning till, sometimes, eleven at night.

(Yes, she answered to the name, Resurrection. She was an ardent follower of Father Devine).

Now, looking back, I find she was more amusing than aggravating.

Officially, Resurrection was supposed to have begun the day at nine. However, if she showed up at ten, I felt lucky.

"Miz Ruthie," (she couldn't as yet adjust herself to calling me by my newly acquired surname). "it takes me two hours to ride here from Harlem. And befo' that, I must get mah kids off to school. So be glad I is heah!"

That expostulation left little room for argument. Anyway, I felt she'd do a better job washing my delicate undies than I.

I saw to it that she had what she needed and made myself scarce. Most of the time I went to the movies. What else was a young, married housewife to do when oodles of time are suddenly thrust upon her?

Purchasing cleansers, soaps or detergents was not my problem. Resurrection always gave me a list of staples to buy and then made a "witch's brew" of her own.

"Ah don't like these heah waxes. They make the tiles yellow." So, swish-swoosh, she kept them white.

Neither did I have a lunch problem. My girl brought her own. She always carried a paper bag filled with bologna. She didn't trust my kosher meals. The fact that she couldn't use any of my plates for her food did not disturb her in the least. She contentedly chewed her bologna and "Jew bread" (as she referred to a rye bread) from the bag. Then she whisked out a huge thermos containing coffee, assuring me she didn't need a glass.

Only once during the eleven years Resurrection worked for me did she refuse to eat her lunch. That was when my first-born was about a year old.

Janie was sitting in the high chair, awaiting her dish of mashed food. As is usual, the high chair contained a potty for toilet training. Evidently Resurrection sat down to eat at an inconvenient moment. She took one look at Janie and blurted out,

"If that's how you train her, ah cannot eat. Even we, niggers, know better."

It did not take long for this husky girl to be her good-natured self again. She continued her tasks, singing spirituals as lustily as she could.

However, for years she talked about that particular lunch. She bemoaned the fact that she wasted a two-cents bagel.

Throughout the years, Resurrection became part and parcel of our family. If a child were sick, she volunteered to nurse it. She trusted no doctor.

"Phooey on medicine! You just give the little one a lot of tea, lemon, aspirin, no food for twenty-four hours. Then see!"

Most of the time she was right. Fortunately the maladies were not serious.

Many times I wondered who had more materially, she or I. Her Persian lamb coat was not inferior to mine. Her husband changed his car every other year, there was a summer home in Virginia. Her salary went into a savings account for her son, Herbie, who was anxious to study medicine at Howard University.

Resurrection was a gem. We came to the parting of ways when my family moved to another city. What became of her, I don't know. I hope she has acquired more faith in doctors since her son joined the medical profession.

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ALLAN GROSSMAN

Grossman Addresses B'nai B'rith

Windsor (CJN)—The Hon. Allan Grossman, M.P.P., recently addressed the Windsor B'nai B'rith Lodge and the Women's Chapter on the occasion of their joint installation banquet.

More than 300 people were in attendance to hear Mr. Grossman speak on "Freedom—the Calculated Risk." "The press brought us the freedom we enjoy today, but unless it exercises self-discipline it could just as easily destroy it. Freedom of the press is the cornerstone of a free society. For only the press has the facilities to uncover the evils of society and bring them to public attention. But freedom of the press requires responsibility perhaps more than in any other area of democracy. Freedom involves a risk, a calculated risk to be sure, in which we have the opportunity of considering, discussing, weighing and deciding. Freedom, if it means anything, means the freedom to make our own decisions. We realize that our decisions can well affect our futures, the future of our country. We must demand of the press an honest appraisal of public affairs in its news columns, and dedicate ourselves to the education of our community with a full knowledge of the truth that education teaches, not facts alone, but life itself. Let us stop being on the defensive in this matter. Stop looking at the weaknesses only, sing the virtues and at the same time guard against abuse and seek to prove its mechanics."

A highlight of the evening was the presentation of the 1961 "man of the year" award to Philip Bernstein, for his many philanthropies and outstanding contributions to the State of Israel, to the Windsor community and to Canada. Rabbi Samuel S. Stollman of Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue made the presentation.

New lodge officers, including the following, were installed: Henry Yuffy, president; H. Lorne Abramson, chaplain; Rabbi S. S. Stollman, honorary chaplain; Al Gordner, first vice-president; Henry Shanfield, second vice-president; Harry Wasserman, third vice-president; Harold Taub, secretary; Larry Scott, financial secretary; Saul Bernstein, treasurer; Bernard Putterman, auditor; Max Gendler, guardian; Leonard Lopatin, warden.

New chapter officers included Mrs. Maxwell Schott and Mrs. Harry Bornstein, co-presidents; Mrs. M. M. Sumner, vice-president; Mrs. Marvin Ordower, recording secretary; Mrs. Louis Swartz, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Saul Lewis, treasurer; Mrs. Isadore Fogel, financial secretary.

THE LIGHTER SIDE

GOSSIP AND NEWS FROM THE THEATRES

George Jessel plans to operate a fancy supper club at Gallilee Tiberias Hotel in Israel . . . **Marlene Dietrich's** new grandson is named David . . . **Sal Mineo and Jill Haworth** (of "Exodus") a twosome . . . From **Harper's Weekly**, 100 years ago: "A bargain is a ludicrous transaction in which each party thinks he has cheated the other." . . . Comic **Jackie Mason** says a secretary took a three-hour lunch period, then came back and sulked because she'd missed her coffee break.

Leonard Lyons relates: In Israel the story is being told about an elderly woman who boarded a bus but didn't have sufficient fare. The bus driver noticed the concentration camp number tattooed on her arm. He paid the balance of the fare and let her stay on. The old woman sat among the passengers, to whom she told her history — the village in Hungary where she was born, her family torn from her, except one son she believed was alive.

She gave her name, and the bus suddenly came to a halt. The driver turned and said, "I am your son." The passengers saw mother and son embrace; then they arose, with a single impulse, and stepped from the bus, so that the son could drive his new-found mother home.

Prime Minister Ben Gurion presented **President Kennedy** with a book, "A Pilgrimage to Jerusalem," published in Latin in 1614. The author is Count Radzivill, an ancestor of JFK's brother-in-law, Prince Radziwill. Kennedy asked Ben Gurion: "Do I have your permission to give this to my niece?" The Prime Minister answered: "Of course. It's yours to do with as you please." Ben Gurion signed the book at Kennedy's request.

Comedians **Wayne and Shuster, Jack Benny's** summer TV replacements, were bragging, "We're Harbord men." "Not Harvard," they explain. "HARBORD — Harbord Collegiate High School, Toronto, Class of 1940" . . . **Eddie Cantor** said once that with the death of vaudeville, there's no place for young entertainers to be lousy in. Wayne and Shuster say, however, they can be lousy in high school as they were, or in college (University College, Toronto) as they were . . . Having done 30 Ed Sullivan shows since '57, they're starring in "Holiday Lodge" in the Jack Benny CBS spot June 25th. They're living in Beverly Hills where nobody has asked them for an autograph. They haven't been given the best table in restaurants—as a matter of fact, they haven't been able to get into the best restaurants . . . "For the first time," Wayne and Shuster say, "we have writers — we're not doing our own writing. We call them our 'Freedom Writers' — they'll probably be at liberty." . . . They continue: "With the Mort Sahls and Shelley Bermans going so intellectual, we feel very shabby not having Ph.D.s" . . . From Sammy Kaye: A woman will buy anything she thinks the store is losing money on.

Natalie Woods is campaigning for the title role in the movie "Gypsy" . . . Joey Adams asked his friend, a harassed husband, what he and his wife are always fighting about. "I don't know," the guy sighed, "she won't tell me."

Jerry Lewis is being barred from the set of Bobby Darin's "Too Late Blues" . . . Liz Taylor is scheduled for "Cleopatra" wardrobe and makeup tests Aug. 1st . . . Paperback rights for William Shirer's "Rise and Fall of the Third Reich" are going for $400,000, an all-time high. The soft cover version will appear in two volumes . . . Italy now discovered the low calorie diet and all Rome reportedly is taking part. They have their own version of Metrecal, a product called Dieta-Salus, but since Italians like their women a bit plump it's geared for 1,000 calories instead of our 900 . . . Ethel Waters ailing on the West Coast . . . Youngest songwriter around is Mark Fields, 8-year-old son of pianist-composer Irving Fields. His tune, titled "Mark's Melody," published by Southern Music . . . A sign in a bar reads: "Not responsible for property left after 30 fights".

Bess Myerson may trip to the altar with Mike Girth . . . . . Glenn Ford and Marilyn Maxwell are now a twosome . . . . Debbie Power ready to reconcile with Arthur Loew Jr. . . . . Jackie Lane says she keeps her figure by running from wolves . . . An Israeli who is campaigning against Ben Gurion said: "The difference between the Messiah and Ben Gurion is that the Messiah refuses to come and Ben Gurion refuses to go." . . . Gypsy Rose Lee told the Professional Children's School graduation: "How nice to see you in your caps and gowns. When I graduated I didn't wear a thing." . . . This is the time of year when people plan to drive thousands of miles to have their pictures taken standing next to their cars.

Dave Astor says: "A certain marriage has worked well because husband and wife go out two nights a week. His nights are Monday and Wednesday, hers are Tuesday and Thursday." . . . After David Ben Gurion met with President Kennedy the Israeli Prime Minister was asked his opinion of the president. Said he: "What charm, what intellect!" Then he shook his head and sighed, "And what troubles he's got." . . . . Gideon Hausner, prosecutor of Adolph Eichmann, told Ira Hirschman he could have completed his case in either two weeks or three months. "I had to decide whether I was dealing with a man or with history," said Hausner. He decided that history was more important.

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Hungarian Jews In Toronto Hold Impressive Memorial

A memorial service for the Hungarian and Czechoslovakian Jewish martyrs was held on Sunday morning, June 4, at the Beth Yitshak Synagogue, 119 Barce St. Lighting of memorial candles preceded the moving program, which was highlighted by an address by the Hon. Allan Grossman, minister without portfolio in the Ontario government. Other speakers were Mr. Arthur Minden, Q.C., and Mr. Max Goody, who spoke in English, and Mr. Eugene Verney, who spoke in Serf.

Dr. Joseph Borgida and Rabbi Ernest Klein delivered stirring addresses in Hungarian, recounting the terrible tragedies of the Nazi period. The packed hall was moved to tears as the speakers unfolded the tormenting memories of the past. The guest speaker was Dr. Zoltan Klar, one of the leading Hungarian Jews in America and editor of "The Man."

Beth Yitshak is the leading Hungarian congregation in Toronto with the renowned scholar, Rabbi Dr. Ernest Klein, as its spiritual leader.

KENNEDY WOOING NASSER

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gress has been made. President Nasser is reported less than pleased.

NIKITA WARNS NASSER

Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev dropped a broad hint last month that President Nasser's crackdown on the Communist party in Egypt and Syria might cost him this Soviet assistance. Mr. Khrushchev told a group of U.A.R. parliamentarians in Moscow:

"If you want socialism, you should not say you are against Communism. You are thus putting yourselves in a critical position and will fall into the imperialist trap. I am warning you. I speak in all honesty."

"Al Ahram," the government controlled newspaper in Cairo, reported this warning. The fact that President Nasser permitted its publication was considered significant, as if he were preparing the people against the possibility of a break with Moscow.

DENOUNCED RED ATTACKS

Last week also, the Cairo radio denounced Soviet propaganda attacks against the Nasser government, saying they would "no longer be met with silence" and might lead to "serious repercussions." The government-owned Middle East News Agency likewise attacked Soviet propaganda and declared that the Arabs are "determined to follow their own road, irrespective of the ambitions of (Communist) agents."

"PRAVDA" ARTICLES

These outbursts followed articles in the Soviet Communist party newspaper, "Pravda," that Communist leaders in Syria had been arrested and some tortured to death. One leader reported to have been killed in this way was Riad Elturk, an imprisoned Arab Communist.

"Al Ahram" published a photograph of Elturk, taken as he talked to reporters last week. It said this photograph had been radioed to "Pravda" and commented that it was strange that "Pravda," whose name means truth, has refused to say the truth by admitting that Elturk is alive and in good health."

Security police in Damascus, besides arresting Communist leaders, also have seized written records of the Syrian Communist party. They also reported confiscating a printing machine and propaganda leaflets.

Beth Emeth Synagogue Installs Its New Officers

Impressive ceremonies marked the joint installation of Sisterhood and Brotherhood executive and board members at Beth Emeth Synagogue which took place on Tuesday, June 13, in the Brotherhood Hall of the synagogue.

Rabbi Joseph H. Kelman, spiritual leader of the congregation, installed the following officers:

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Jack Goldstein, past president, was master of ceremonies.

Greetings were brought on behalf of National Women's League, United Synagogue of America, by Mrs. I. Wintrob, and National Federation of Men's Clubs by Mr. M. Lewis, vice-president.

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Mr. Weinstein's interest in the young State of Israel was intensified in November, 1957, when he headed the first Canadian Study Mission to Israel. His response to the dramatic impact of the renaissance of this ancient land was immediate. The vigor and dedication of its people, the birth of new cities, the flowering of its deserts and wastelands —all these made an intense impression on Leon Weinstein.

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One of seven children of immigrant parents who operated a grocery store on a downtown corner, Leon Weinstein is the president and general manager of Power Supermarkets and enjoys the reputation of being one of the most successful merchandisers in the retail food business in Canada. He is also a director of Supersol, a food chain presently expanding in Israel.

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DIEFENBAKER ON ISRAEL

From Prime Minister Diefenbaker's statement in the HOUSE OF COMMONS, Ottawa, Thursday, May 25th, 1961, welcoming Ben Gurion:

Ben Gurion comes from a land where our religious faith originated and from which many of the values of western civilization have been derived. Since the creation of his country in 1948 the people have been engaged in a remorseless struggle against climate and economics. As the leader of that nation he has earned admiration for the perseverance which has enabled him and those associated with him to meet almost insuperable obstacles in the directions I have indicated.

We welcome him to Canada for the position which he occupies, and for the contribution that the people of the Jewish race have made to Canada over a period of slightly more than 200 years. " . . . We extend to him the warmest of greetings and good wishes, and through him to the President and people of Israel. . ."

CANADA'S AMBASSADOR TO ISRAEL:

"Genuine Bond Of Sympathy Exists Between The Israeli People And The People Of Canada"

Miss Meagher Issues Important Statement On Israel's Anniversary

JERUSALEM, (CJN)—Miss B. M. **Meagher,** Canada's Ambassador to Israel issued the following statement on the occasion of Israel's Bar Mitzvah year:

To the casual observer, Canada and Israel would seem to offer only striking contrasts. In all the more obvious physical areas, the differences are readily apparent, Canada is a huge country with mountains, rivers, lakes and forests on a very large scale, with enormous natural resources and with a climate, for the most part, typical of a northern land. Why is it, then, that a genuine bond of sympathy and understanding exists between Canadians and the people of Israel, and why is it that to visiting Canadians, this small State in the Eastern Mediterranean does not seem a strange and alien land? The reason, of course, lies in the people and their form of society.

An important point we have in common is that we are both countries of immigration. Of course, there are differences in our experience but here the differences are of degree and of emphasis rather than of kind. We in Canada are, all of us, with the notable exceptions of the Indians and the Eskimo, of immigrant stock. We are ourselves immigrants, or the children or the descendants of immigrants. A beneficent Providence endowed our country with great natural wealth, but the opening up of Canada, its settlement and development, and the maintenance of its security in two world wars, have been the fruit of the vision and the united efforts and sacrifices of people whose forebears came from many lands to weld the Canadian nation. All that we have built up, in economic progress, in political freedom and in cultural development, we owe to the inspiration and the spiritual values and the capacity for hard work which our people brought with them from their countries of origin.

It is not difficult for us to recognize the same pattern in Israel. While your experience has been telescoped into a much shorter period and the rate of immigration is much higher, especially when related to the narrow population base on which it rests, and while your people have come from more varied backgrounds and in large part inspired by different motives, and while you have a relatively more numerous and more influential indigenous community, the comparison remains valid. Here too, men and women of different language, standards of living, educational levels and cultural heritage are working together to make their contribution to a common cause, the building of a modern, united nation.

Then, too, you have chosen to establish and to develop this new nation state under a democratic form of government. Though it differs in its organizational framework from our own constitutional form, it is perfectly understandable to the Canadian, with its familiar features of parliamentary government, free elections, universal suffrage and free press. Moreover, the highly developed social conscience in Israel, which is manifested by the network of welfare services, creates a favourable impression with Canadians who, while generally committed to the capitalist system, have combined it with social legislation to ensure assistance to those who may need it.

As a country in the making, Israel is facing and solving problems which are not basically dissimilar to those which Canada has faced in the fairly recent past and which in some measure are still with us. To a large extent, Canada is today a heavily industrialized and highly developed country, but the pioneer days are not so far behind us as to have become enshrouded in the mists of history. The Frontier has shifted—it is no longer to the West but to the North. You have your Negev — we have our northern reaches extending to the North Pole, an area sparsely inhabited, where nature is hostile but where, with government encouragement, Canadians with a sense of adventure and with a mid-20th century pioneer spirit are wresting the minerals from the earth and opening up the North.

It is, then, in the most important of all, the human element, the community of men, that Canadians and Israelis find most in common. This is why Canadians have a warm sympathy and a profound admiration and a feeling of kinship for Israel. And this is also, perhaps, why we, like many other "foreigners", feel in Israel that we are accepted as friends.

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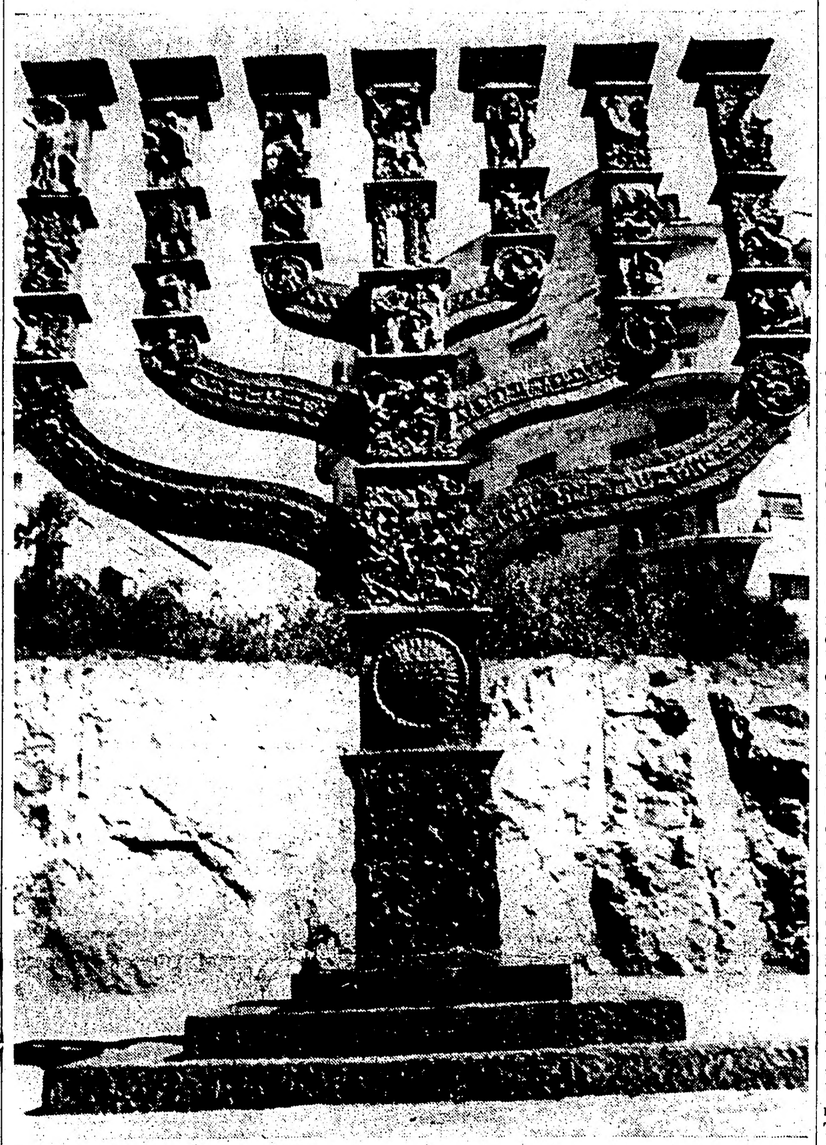

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NO ALTERNATIVE — By General Moshe Dayan

Israel And The West

A newspaperman who uses the penname "Poless" in the Israeli paper "Ha'aretz," and Mr. Ya'ari, in "Al-Hamishmar," suggested that the West and Russia may come to an agreement on the neutralization of the Middle East and asked that Israel adopt a neutralist policy. It is further suggested that precisely our friends in Washington; and even in Paris and Bonn, would welcome Israel toning down a bit her enthusiasm in proclaiming herself a loyal ally of Western Democracy. "Poless" also assumes that in the event of such a Western-Soviet agreement, Israel would be pressed to display considerably more readiness to negotiate with Abdul Nasser, who, in turn, would be less aggressive in the new circumstances.

Finally, "Poless" suggests certain concessions we should be prepared to make in return for a guarantee of our political security. These are: accepting a number of Arab refugees; giving Jordan and the United Arab Republic free access to Eilat Port, and granting Jordan a corridor to the Sinai Peninsula.

I shall in this article deal first with the latter two proposals.

What purpose would a corridor between Egypt and Jordan serve? The Arabs do not constitute a unified state, and when a resident of Egypt wishes to travel to Jordan he must get a Jordan visa. When a Jordan citizen wishes to go to Beirut he has no corridor through Syria but must get a transit visa. Israel has not bisected an Arab country, and a corridor through Israel would thus be setting a precedent, for when an Egyptian, for example, will wish to travel through Jordan and Syria to reach Lebanon or Iraq, the only country he will be able to cross without getting his passport stamped, without coming in contact with its inhabitants, and without having to get permission, will be—Israel.

If the purpose of all this is the normalization of Arab-Israel relations, there is need not for corridors but for the establishment of normal neighbourly relations which would include the most liberal possible transit arrangements.

A sovereign Arab passage through Israel would be a sure source of quarrel, suspicion, and endless complaint, like any abnormal arrangement. It is no coincidence that all such corridors that existed in the past were done away with.

As to the Eilat proposal: Why does the UAR need free access to Eilat Port? There is not a single permanent Egyptian settlement along the entire Egyptian coast of the Gulf of Eilat, and there exists no civilian road which would connect any Egyptian settlement with Eilat. What cargoes, and where from and where to, would the Egyptians ship through Eilat? Except for the purpose of blockading Israel shipping in the Red Sea, the Egyptians were never interested in Eilat. To be sure, the UAR today also includes Syria, but if this proposal is intended to grant Syria free access to Eilat, then we shall also have to provide a Syrian corridor down the entire length of Israel from the Banias valley to Eilat.

As for Jordan — she has her own Akaba, larger and better developed than Eilat Port, fully equipped with oil installations, and loading and unloading facilities. Why should she travel an additional ten kilometres to Eilat? What will this maritime power, Jordan, without a single ship of her own, do in Eilat once she has free access to it?

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The matter of taking back refugees is not so simple. First one must remember that no Arab state will come to any agreement with Israel that is not acceptable to Abdul Nasser, and that, therefore, there is no point in discussing an agreement with any one but him. And here is the rub: Nasser is in less of a position than any other Arab leader, to fulfil the other part of such an agreement—the resettlement of most of the refugees in the Arab lands. Egypt is over-populated. If Nasser were in a position to settle anyone in Syria, he would certainly try to transfer Egyptians there. It is Iraq and Jordan that are in need of additional population. Iraq, furthermore, has the financial means for further development. It is very doubtful, though, whether Nasser — in view of the fact that Iraq and Jordan do not take orders from him — is in a position to discuss in the name of those countries the resettlement of the Arab refugees there. And without Nasser, no Arab state will dare to make any overtures to Israel. But Nasser alone is not in position to solve the Arab refugee problem.

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It is also suggested that the "political security" which we shall acquire in exchange for these concessions will consist chiefly in our liberation from the need to continue to arm ourselves, which is seen by these advocates of change as the cardinal sin.

Do those who suggest this really believe that once we have achieved peace with Nasser we shall be rid of the need to remain armed? There are such nations as Switzerland and Yugoslavia which enjoy peace on all sides. Do they for even one moment consider disarming or ceasing to keep their defence establishments up-to-date? Who is to guarantee that those national leaders with whom we come in terms will forever remain in the saddle and not be succeeded by others who will decide to abrogate the agreements? And is there any one who does not realize that the loss of one battle is apt to seal Israel's fate?

Peace with our neighbours would certainly lighten our security burden. But there is quite a long stretch between this relief and complete release. Meanwhile one is entitled to ask: In exchange for all these concessions, what concessions shall we get in return? Let us say we have offered Jordan free passage to Haifa Port. Would it not be in place at the same time to bring up the possibility of free passage for Israelis to the Wailing Wall? And now that we are offering various Arab countries extra-territorial corridors, is it irrelevant to inquire about a corridor, or at least free passage, from Jewish Jerusalem to the Jewish Mt. Scopus several kilometres away, to which Jordan agreed in writing but has yet to implement?

And would there not be place, in serious, practical negotiations with the Arab states, for a discussion of a joint project at the southern end of the Dead Sea which could benefit from the sweet waters of the Safi Springs, and which, by enclosing the

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General Moshe Dayan, is the former Commander-in-Chief of Israel's Defense Army, conducted ill famed Sinai campaign. He is now Minister of Agriculture.

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1,100 Settlers And Large-Scale Donations And Investments

By EDWARD GELBER

Yet the growth and importance of Canadian Jewry really are a product of the more recent East European immigration. Today there are over a quarter of a million Jews in Canada, the bulk in Montreal and Toronto, the remainder in 600 towns and unlikely villages. Like American Jews, they are mainly in the middle class, but as immigrants of a more recent vintage there are probably proportionately more workers, especially in the traditional Jewish trades.

Canada has had a special place in Zionist and Israel history. Like the South African Jews, the Canadians are, almost to a man, solidly behind Israel. Jewish education is well-organized, though far-flung, is closer to the European "old country," and has a unified form and expression through the Canadian Jewish Congress—as well as through the United Zionist Council. Although Canada has fewer specific projects here than South Africa, its place is just as assured.

The incredible—for 1927—sum of $1m. was raised by Canadians to redeem the Emek Hefer. Canadians contribute about $2.5m. a year to the Keren Hayesod (United Israel Appeal) and buy about $4m. in Israel bonds. Toronto is reputed to be the highest per capita buyer of Israel bonds anywhere.

The Jewish National Fund reports a 500,000-tree Canada Forest in the Judean hills, six other Canadian-sponsored woods tracts developed by Canadian donors and 75 km. of "boulevards" lining Negev and other roads.

The names of buildings at the Hebrew University, the Weizmann Institute, the Technion and Bar Ilan University, all sound like rosters of Canadian Jewry. The agricultural school at Nahalal and the Hadassim Children's Village are supported by Canadian Hadassah-Wizo, and other institutions are maintained by Pioneer and Mizrachi women.

Many Kupat Holim clinics, the Jaffa stadium and Amal schools benefit from Canada's Histadrut campaign.

There are 1,100 Canadians in Israel, according to the Association of Americans and Canadians. Besides a notable Canadian population (200) in kibbutzim like Ein Hashofet, Barkai, Kissufim, Gal-On, Urim, Kfar, Menahem and Gesher Haziv, there are Canadians in Moshav Orot and in all the large towns; in Jerusalem, the Z.O.C. and other Canadians are behind the association's housing project. In government or national service are a number of Canadians, beginning with the redoubtable Dov Joseph; recently lost was the late government geophysicist, Percy Grader. A leading physicist, Professor Z'ev Low, is an erstwhile Torontonian via Kingston's Queen's University.

But perhaps the greatest Canadian contribution to Israel is and will be in private investment. The PEC (the former Canada-Israel Central Bank), Canpal, Rassco, Sightseeing Ltd., Mehadrin and other citrus growers lead the list of Canadian investments. Bertram Loeb, the moving spirit in Supersol, is a graduate of the Hebrew University to whom grateful Israelis attribute the improvement in food marketing. Samuel Dubiner has been a real halutz in industrial enterprises, among them notably Cargol. Canadians have invested in a fishing trawler, together with Rassco, and are on the lookout for other promising fields.

The Bronfman family is almost an institution in itself. Besides Kfar Shmuel (Samuel Bronfman), the Hebrew University Campus and many other institutions, the Bronfman family have made what many hope will be a trail-making gift—a million dollars for the Samuel Bronfman Biblical and Archaeological Museum, which uniquely involves an annual grant for maintenance, research and publications. Allan Bronfman is chairman of the Canadian Friends of the University and has given an amphitheatre to the university.

A Canadian innovation—UJA study missions composed of young men who have since become the heart and soul of UJA and bond campaigns in Toronto—was introduced by the UJA in that city. And the fruits of these missions extend into cultural life as well. Canada is pioneering this year with a Bar Mitzva Foundation, in which registered youngsters receive all or part of their bar mitzva gifts in certificates which enable them to spend a summer here at the age of sixteen. A prototype group of twenty-odd youngsters will arrive here this July.

Another pointer to Canadian unity is the fact that for two years running Canada has sent a combined national UJA-Bonds study mission, which has dealt with investments as well.

Canadian Jews took an active role in pro-Zionist activities even in the difficult days of 1945-1948. Thousands of youngsters and grownups demonstrated against British policy then, while bobby-helmeted policemen kept order; and hundreds of Canadians volunteered for Mahal, with the air force particularly benefiting.

Mr. Gelber, of Toronto and Jerusalem, was active on the Canadian scene and is today chairman of the Executive Board of the Hebrew University.

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ONLY IN AMERICA

By HARRY GOLDEN

AMERICAN CONTRADICTIONS

In a New Orleans restaurant where the oysters were so thick you had to cut them with a knife, where the Eggs Benedict was a supreme creation and the jambalaya a spiritual experience, there was also a small table, covered with pretty napery on which sat, for the use and relief of the customers, bottles of Alka-Seltzer, Bromo-Seltzer, Tums, Sen-Sen, aspirin and a whole host of indigestion soothers.

Good food is a moral fact, wrote Joseph Conrad, but then he had never visited America. In America, good food is the occasion for tension and anxiety: guilt. For what else are Tums, Sen-Sen, Alka-Seltzer and the like but the symptoms of guilt?

We Americans are still Puritans and will not accept any joy not alloyed with guilt. We are a people of intense internal contradictions. It is every American boy's dream to marry the sweet girl next door and live with her in emotional security out in the suburbs for the rest of his life. Toward that goal he goes steady as soon as the first whisker appears and thus assures himself of a date next New Year's Eve. But he refuses to see movies which educate him toward this ideal.

We are an ambivalent people, we are pro and contra, and that is why I sometimes believe we are also hysterical.

THE DEMAGOGUE

One has only to read the rather confused philosophizing of the John Birch Society and its founder, Robert Welch, to realize how our waspish criticism of politics has not done us any good.

We remade all our historical politicians into statesmen and those who didn't really fit the mold, we discarded and called them demagogues. Demagoguery fell to new lows, and we thought we had accomplished something.

The last of our demagogues, as A. J. Liebling so ably suggests in his book, "The Earl of Louisiana," was Earl Long. For all his demagoguery, however, Earl Long was a rather interesting, articulate and lovable fellow. He had no intention of disenfranchising Negroes, closing public schools, or cutting off welfare funds, as have his predecessors.

Any successful demagogue has to be rather lovable. The demagogue may not be particularly lovable to the "oil interests" or the "business interests" or to those of whom he takes advantage, but the "interests" can fight back.

But there is no premium on demagoguery any more and into the place of the demagogue has stepped the "insane saviour."

The anti-Communist who assures his disciples he alone can save America. But the insane saviour has one advantage the demagogue never had. No one can fight back against anti-Communism. If the insane saviour decides to ruin you, as Joe McCarthy, the first of the breed decided to ruin many, you are just ruined.

The demagogue was shrewd, he never overreached himself and until he lost the respect of the multitudes, he flourished. The insane saviour does overreach himself. Joe McCarthy had to challenge the Army and Robert Welch had to accuse Dwight D. Eisenhower, John Foster Dulles, and the Supreme Court as being Commies.

We are lucky insofar as most insane saviours have been up to now out and out neurotics. All of them have a "Prometheus Complex." They want to give fire to man and look forward expectantly to their punishment by Zeus. Their personal torment helps prove their point about subversion. But we have a day of reckoning: one day the insane saviour will mask his neurosis and will not overreach himself.

When the conspirators in William Shakespeare's "Julius Caesar" discuss the pros and cons of assassination, one of them wonders about prospects of a Rome without Caesar and asks: "Who knows but what a worse will follow in his place?" It is a question we should have asked when we chased the demagogue.

ICE ON THE EAST SIDE

In the summer the Lower East Side of New York was filled with ice carts. The icemen were the same fellows who sold kerosene in the winter.

During the winter there was no call for ice. The housewives, like my mother, used to put perishable foods on the window sills and every once in a while as you walk along the Lower East Side you can still see one of the old wooden milk boxes for the refrigeration of milk which hung outside the tenement windows.

The icemen were either men without conscience or very bad mathematical computers. The huge blocks of ice were divided into five slices or four. But their mathematics was wholly arbitrary. People bought either a third of a block or a quarter of a block. The slice from the block of "four thirds" was more expensive than the slice from the block of "five quarters." The mothers would ask their children, "Run downstairs and get me a big quarter ice," or "Today you will buy for the icebox a small third."

If the iceman carried the slab of ice upstairs to the wooden icebox the price was correspondingly more. Few women paid this extra premium, but when one did, we kids who trailed the ice carts would take advantage of the iceman's disappearance to swipe a few chunks of ice and beat a hasty retreat to an alleyway where we sat happily licking the ice.

Mothers were chary about what they put in the icebox, which somewhat resembled today's refrigerator, expect it was made of wood and was appreciably smaller.

The theory was that the more food you put on the ice the quicker it would melt. I have checked this with a scientist at Duke University and he says no. I wish the immigrant women on the Lower East Side of New York would have known this. To save the ice, as they believed they were doing, they rarely refrigerated butter, jams or pastries.

And the most important duties in the house was emptying that drip pan into which the melted ice trickled. To forget this duty and to let water trickle over the floor was disastrous, not only to the family but to the folks below you. An over-run drip pan was an entire weekend problem and you avoided it at all costs.

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ACROSS THE FENCE

ANSWER TO A FRIEND

By PAUL MORTON

It is hard to read. It is even harder to write. To read with complete understanding requires that the writer be something of a master of communication. I want my readers to understand me. I want to be as sure as I can be that I understand my readers.

This is a tall order. Indeed, when Editor M. J. Nurenberger invited me to fill this space, my first reaction was to say no, no, a thousand times no. I told him it would be all too easy for me, a Gentile, to give offence. I told him I dreaded the knowledge possessed by some of his readers. I told him I was afraid.

All too soon, and as the Bible says: "The thing that I feared was upon me." A reader wrote a letter. The words it contained were kind: "sincerely regret," "more power to him," "my friend" . . . I could easily have excerpted many words and phrases to imply a paean of praise for my efforts—as the play producers do. But, in truth, I found the letter a minor masterpiece of dismissal.

Was I offended? Were my tentative fingers burned? Were my feelings hurt? Not a bit? Not even a little bit.

And yet I felt the letter-writer was cooly, calmly, inexorably, and with a kind of terrifyingly quiet goodwill, closing a door in my presumptuous Gentile face.

"Oh, come now," some of you may say, "he meant nothing of the kind."

Did he not? I think that Mr. D. Amminadav (Letters to the Editor, June 2) meant to be kind. But he was also disposed to chide me, slightly, for presumption; advise me, mildly, to stay on my own side of the fence; and state with pride, as he did, that: "The 'love' of anti-Semites for a Jew is not worth the loss of our identity."

Examined semantically, Mr. Amminidav's letter had a chilling effect upon me:

"If Mr. Morton intends to abolish envy and thus anti-Semitism, I say more power to him for to do so is to fulfill a Messianic prophecy." This translates, to me, as satire. I am no Christ, no leader, no wistful whimperer against injustice and sin. Two gods have dominated my earthly experience: Mars and Mammon . . . . with sometimes a touch of Venus.

Mr. Amminidav: "If he intends to abolish anti-Semitism, per se, he must first get the assistance and co-operation of Jews, not the Gentiles." I do not "intend to abolish" anything, and I seek neither assistance nor co-operation from either Jews or Gentiles to this end.

Mr. Amminidav: "It is doubtful if the Jews are able to (co-operate) because they must lose their characteristic of the **chosen people** which is in fact the source of anti-Semitism." The Bible teaches that Jews are indeed the chosen people of God; that the Prophet Jesus said they were. Therefore, it was their bounden duty to "go out and preach the gospel to all peoples." At this time, my ancestors were semibarbarians in the forests of Britain and France; and the Romans weren't much better.

So Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, and particularly Paul the Publicist—simple, unworldly men, all—went on to teach us what they know about the God of Abraham, and Isaac, and Joshua, and Ezra and Job, and Ezekiel. Today, the Christian Bible devotes 293 pages to the New Testament, a simple story of simple people; 979 pages to the Old Testament, which is the history of the Jewish people, their triumphs and disasters, and their love of God.

We feel the Jews were chosen to tell us this great story. We recognize them as the chosen and elect of God. We do not envy Jews for this. It is at once a burden and a responsibility, a trial and a tribulation; but it is a well forged link to God.

What Christians envy in Jews is their talent for survival, their gift of humor, their worldly goods, their vitality, their Mediterranean strength and beauty, their Spinoza, their Einstein, their Irving Berlin, Jack Benny, Cadillacs and Miami. Christians envy Jewish talent far more than they envy Jewish devotion. And so it was with Hitler.

Mr. Amminidav concludes (with Isaiah): "God will save his people from the East country and from the West country" and "until the day that ten men will take hold out of all languages of the nations, even take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew, saying, 'We will go with you for we have heard that God is with you.' " Here he is profoundly eloquent, brilliantly aware of the true problem, kindly in his offer to let us clutch at the Jewish skirt. My only regret is that I have no coat-tails to offer him in return. But he may walk beside me.

If I have been unjust to Mr. Amminidav, have failed to understand him, have fallen into the error of sarcasm and satire, have played the show-off, have exhibited ignorance and bad manners, have affected humility to conceal pride, all I can say in my defence is that I have never put the word LOVE between quotes, or suggested that Jews should sacrifice their identity to pander to anti-Semites.

It is hard to read. It is even harder to write. But I shall persevere in this, and I am no longer afraid. For which I thank you.

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AFTER THE BEN-GURION VISIT

Washington Seen Changing Policy

U.S. Would Welcome Israel "Neutrality" If It Is Not Pro-Soviet

By RICHARD YAFFE

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (Special) — The new American Administration's experience with the Arab states at the recently-concluded General Assembly, for which it emerged considerably bloodied and somewhat bowed, must have been a shocker indeed. Things got so bad at one time during the Arab debate, when Saudi-Arabia's Ahmed Shukairy was at his vituperative best, that Ambassador Stevenson's deputy, Mr. Plimpton, was moved to remark that it seemed to him like "Hate America Week".

There are already some signs, and a few overt acts, too, that the U.S.A. is not going to be caught again acting the role of Israel's only friend at the United Nations, even though its activities at the Fifteenth Assembly did not have this as its purpose but was intended merely to keep all controversies, including the Middle Eastern one, "on a low key." And there are also some noticeable attempts at what the politicians here call "fence-fixing" between the U.S.A. and the Arabs—these began only minutes after the Arab-favored refugee resolution was defeated and the American-sponsored one prevailed. The Arabs were sought out one by one and told that there was no victory for anyone but a defeat for common sense, and that it was hoped that this was the last time there would be "such a mess again."

The most obvious reaction to the Arabs' displeasure, of course, was the statement by an Assistant Secretary of State, Mr. Brooks Hays, speaking for the Secretary, Mr. Rusk, which let it be known that Washington disapproved strongly of the call by New York's Legislature for official U.S. action against the Arab boycott and blacklist. Mr. Hays thought it unfair that the Legislatures call tended "to portray the boycott as more discriminatory that it actually is" and linked the Arab's tactics with the "plight of the Arab refugees." While the U.S.A. neither condoned nor recognized the Arab boycott against ships touching Israeli ports, Mr. Hays said that this country recognizes the Arabs' right, "as sovereign states", to establish rules and regulations that "proscribe dealings with individuals or firms in accordance with what they deem to be in the interests of their national security."

This is somewhat different from the promise—given by a previous administration, to be sure — to American seamen to call off their picket line from the Egyptian freighter Cleopatra. The pledge was implicit that something would be done about Arab discrimination against American ships and sailors.

But perhaps the most important of them all is the sudden interest the U.S.A. has taken in the Palestine Conciliation Commission which, until now, it was happy to see remain moribund. The Americans' new interest in the PCC stems from the most recent refugee resolution which expressed regret that it had done nothing to implement Paragraph 11 of the original resolution adopted in 1949—the controversial "repatriation or compensation" clause to which Israel so strongly objects.

The U.S.A. showed no such burning desire to reactivate the PCC when a similar resolution was approved by the previous Assembly. But now it is willing to have the PCC exercise its "best efforts" to produce "some sort of situation" which will 'chip away" at the larger problem of Israel-Arab relations as a whole. The hope is for some conclusions, some progress. The progress which seems to be expected, however, is towards getting Israel to accept the thesis that repatriation is the refuees optional right.

It can be stated unequivocally that the United States' position now is that Paragraph 11 must be implemented, and that it cannot be implemented unless Israel accepts the repatriation option. Therefore Israel must give. It can be argued also that the Arabs, too, have not agreed to other options in the original resolution, and to this there is agreement. But it is added that an Arab wrong does not make an Israeli right.

The PCC has had its first meeting since the end of the second part of the Fifteenth General Assembly, and the communique issued after its closed session makes it appear that a shot of benezedrine has really revived the corpse. The outstanding paragraph of the post-meeting press release was the stated 'determination" that its "extensive working papers" on the question of repatriation and compensation "should be brought up to date so as to include a summary of relevant views expounded at the Fifteenth General Assembly." These views, no doubt, will include Mr. Shukairy's. The Commission also "received with appreciation" the report of its "land expert" as to the progress of his work of identifying and evaluating "Arab refugees' immovable property holdings as of 29 November, 1947." This also sounds like business.

Neither the U.S. delegation to the United Nations nor the State Department sees any fertile ground for peace efforts in the Middle East, and therefore some American Jewish pressure for Mr. Kennedy to implement his campaign promise to see Israel-Arab rapprochement falls on sceptical ears, and Mr. Ben-Gurion's advice to the President not to attempt it is somewhat gratuitous.

The view at the United Nations is that in addition to the barren ground, there is no "fertilizer". But there is a hopeful word that perhaps some of it—fertilizer, that is—can be produced this summer between U.N. sessions. This is probably a hint that the Kennedy administration may be finally preparing to move the Middle East onto its priorities list, for the purposes of fashioning a policy towards the region, something which it freely admits it does not have now. It might be guessed that the "fertilizer"—again to use an inept word, which is not your correspondent's—is something in the line of Mr. Kennedy's "Alliance for Progress" program he is charting for Latin America.

Whatever the plan Mr. Kennedy and his advisors may have in mind, it does not seem to take into consideration the simple fact that it takes two to tango; the impression I get in New York and Washington is that only a change in Israel's policies "will get the thing off the floor", that nothing but a sign from Israel will do it.

From what I gather at the United Nations, and from persons purporting to know Mr. Rusk's thinking, the U.S.A. would not be against neutralism of a sort for Israel—provided its not "neutral for Russia". It therefore may be more than a coincidence that the new Liberal Party took a position for it at its founding convention, considering the fact that its brightest luminary, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, had had a heart-to-heart talk with Mr. Rusk.

Washington might like to be in the position at last, of the mother bird which gently but firmly nudges the fledgling from the nest and sees it go out at last on its own; somewhat sad at the parting but free again to go out again with other birds. Thirteen years, after all, is a long, long time.

BOOKS AND MEN

JUDAISM AS A PHILOSOPHY

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By [redacted]

[redacted] an important and provocative and seriously contribution to the history of ideas. What renders this brilliant study of Abraham Bar Hiyya's philosophy so provocative and fascinating is the author's vigorous espousal of a philosophy of personalism that synthesizes fundamental Jewish insights with Aristotelian categories of thought. Professor Stitskin offers this Jewish version of a "Philosophia perennis", which is based upon the writings of a half-forgotten medieval thinker, as an ideology geared to the requirements of modern man.

Professor Stitskin's thinking is in the existentialist tradition. Individualized, personal existence forms the axis around which his metaphysical and ethical views revolve. Platonism is rejected as incompatible with the empasis upon the dignity of the human individual which is implicit in the Biblical doctrine that man reflects the image of God.

Although Bar Hiyya is usually classified as an inconsequential neoplatonist, he emerges from Dr. Stitskin's masterful exposition as the pioneer who first hermonized Judaism with Aristotle. Where Bar Hiyya differs from the Stagirite, he actually out-Aristotles Aristotle himself, because he develops the Aristotelian premises to their logical conclusion. Dr. Stitskin marshalls conclusive evidence in support of his contention that modern historians failed to appreciate the revolutionary impact of Bar Hiyya because of their inability to penetrate through the surface of his neo-platonic terminology.

The author's labor of love accomplishes more than the vindi[cation] [redacted] with a metaphysical ethics of self-realization that is deserving of serious attention. Man's task is to realize his capacity for immortality. In this scheme, immortality is not a reward conferred upon the individual, but the actualization of a potentiality. It is through the striving for intellectual, ethical, and religious perfection that man realizes his potential as a spiritual being that can survive even the destruction of the body.

Dr. Stitskin offers his challenging ethical and metaphysical views not merely as a philosophy, but as "the authentic Hachkafa (outlook) of Judaism". Although a very convincing case is presented to indicate that the Aristotelian categories lend themselves to the formulation of an attractive philosophy of Judaism, this reviewer believes that Judaism can accommodate a variety of philosophical orientations. In spite of the fact that the Catholic Church has displayed remarkable skill in meeting the onslaught of modernism with a virile and vibrant neo-Thomism, we may question the advisability of a forced marriage between Judaism and a philosophy that in many circles is branded as an obsolete medievalism.

There are many among us who like Thomas Wolfe cannot go home again, even to a home as friendly and congenial to Judaism as the one that Aristotle provided for us. To accommodate those who cannot return to the Stagirite, we require different philosophies of Judaism that, we hope, will be formulated with the same depth and brilliance as Dr. Stitskin has shown in his neo-Aristotelian approach.

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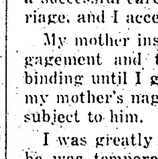

HUMAN RELATIONS

The AGGRESSIVE CHILD

DR. ROSE N. FRANZBLAU

QUESTION: I have a brother who will soon be 10. He is a selfish, unmerciful boy who is disrespectful. He continually strikes at my mother, who is in her late 30's and is overworked taking care of my younger brother, who will be 4 in July. My father, who is in his 40s, is too tired from working to do anything about my brother.

My brother continually aggravates my mother by preventing my younger brother from going to sleep and by embarrassing her in front of guests and by being disrespectful and rude. He continually scares my little brother. My efforts to stop him are fruitless. When my father is home he gets the wrong impression that my mother blames my brother unjustly, and they argue. I am afraid this might break up the family.

My mother asked me to write to you for advice.

ANSWER: The way your brother behaves and treats others is the way he feels the world, particularly his family, is treating him. He was not born disrespectful, rude and mean, any more than you or your baby brother were. He has probably gotten the wrong impression. But he is telling you all, by his behavior, that he feels unwanted and discriminated against by all those who are supposed to love him best.

Every child wants to have the feeling that he is precious to his parents and that he has a special place, all his own, in the family. You have your very special place because you are the first-born. Your youngest brother has his special place because he is the baby and requires special care and attention. But your middle brother feels he has no special place or distinction.

Middle children like your brother sometimes become very frightened by this situation. They feel that they will always be overlooked in life.

When the initial demands for attention are not met or understood the youngster begins to fight harder and harder and to hit out more.

When your brother hits out at your mother, she and only she should and can stop him. Only she should discipline him for any bad behavior. When she does nothing but complain, it practically invites your brother to repeat his behavior. His disrespect and rudeness to her in public are only a repetition of his behavior in the home. For it to be stopped on the outside, something must be done inside the home.

Your father is probably right in his contention that your brother is not getting his fair share of attention and consideration.

Everybody in the family should listen to your father, who is the head of the family. You should all be guided by what he considers to be justice and loving kindness. If your father and mother were as one in their approach and in their handling of the children, your middle brother would feel more protected and less discriminated against.

No child is ever omnipotent enough to break up a loving relationship between a father and a mother. Don't worry; the family won't break up.

Your middle brother needs to feel that his point of view is respected and that there are people on his side, too. Removing yourself from your self-appointed position as protector of your mother would help immeasurabiy. Perhaps, instead, you could give him more attention and include him in some of the things you do. Most of all, he needs to feel that his mother is on his father's side and not against him.

All of you could well learn from the wisdom and compassion of your father.

Problem Gambler

QUESTION: For over a year I've been seeing a man whom I have learned to love dearly. He is charming, intelligent, considerate and has a successful career. Recently he spoke of marriage, and I accepted his offer.

My mother insisted that I have a formal engagement and that I not consider anything binding until I got a ring. When I could stand my mother's nagging no longer I broached the subject to him.

I was greatly shocked when he told me that he was temporarily heavily in debt and if I was patient I would get a ring as soon as his financial situation improved. I tried to question him about this debt, but he grew very angry. I dropped the subject.

A few days ago his sister called on me. She told me that her brother was a compulsive gambler and that in spite of a lucrative profession, he was constantly borrowing money from her and his parents to pay for his huge gambling losses. She felt she owed it to me to warn me about her brother's "weakness."

When he phoned last night to make a date I told him I couldn't see him for a few weeks as I was very busy. He begged me to see him, but I put him off.

I am miserable, but I am afraid of marriage with a gambler.

What are the chances of his giving up this practice and of "settling down" as a condition of marriage?

ANSWER: The charm and consideration the gambler exudes are a cover-up for avaricious appetite, emotional or physical, from which these people also suffer. Too often the love that these people seemingly offer others is really only love for themselves. In some ways it is like taking a gamble and investing love for a time when things might go bad. Then they could call upon this investment to pay off the debts they have incurred.

It is not accidental, nor even coincidental, that your boy friend's sister called on you to deliver this information about her brother at the time that she did.

When you asked for a public confirmation of your engagement and for a symbol of your relationship in the form of an engagement ring, he felt pressed. It was as if a bookie had asked him to pay up on a debt that he had incurred. Then, in desperation, he called for help. This sister, who in many ways must resemble a mother figure to him, promptly stepped in to rescue him.

The chances are that your boy friend asked his sister to get him out of what he feels to be a scrape, even if a loving one.

He knew when he called you for a date that you already knew about the activity when he had kept secret from you. He took a gamble when he sent his sister to see you. He hoped to win, but, like all gamblers, he is not too surprised to lose.

Your mother is a very wise person. It was not the engagement ring which your mother wanted for you, but to discover something else that did not ring true in his proposal to you.

The chances for his giving up this practice of gambling as a "condition of marriage" are practically nil. He might make the promise and be sincere in his wish to live up to it while making it. But soon after you accepted his word he would feel free to break it, in the hope that Lady Luck would be good to him.

The only hope for a person who is an addicted gambler is for him to go for intensive therapy. But to do that he must be very unhappy and uncomfortable with his weakness and must have reached the point where he is willing to admit that his pleasure is outweighed by his pain from his gambling losses.

If this young man goes for therapy, whatever the outcome, you can derive satisfaction from the fact that you tried to help a person overcome a weakness.

It is hoped, however, that you will have found and married happily another man by that time.

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OPINIONS

A MIDDLE EAST COMMONWEALTH?

by YIGAL ALLON

The former Commander of Palmach, the now-dissolved Israeli Striking Force, discusses a new proposal for solving the Near East conflict.

The existing state of belligerency, maintained against Israel by six Arab Governments, with all its economic, political, and military implications, preoccupies Israel constantly with defence problems. Any attempt to envisage a peaceful relationship between Israel and her neighbours seems so remote and unrealistic that the most well-intentioned thinkers shrink from formulating any possible solution. If peace depended on Israel's initiative alone, it would have been established long ago. But it takes two to make peace, while war can be waged unilaterally.

When Israel signed the armistice agreements with the defeated invaders her representatives and the U.N. mediators considered that a peace settlement would follow in due course. By doing this Israel evinced a disastrous naivete and showed a lack of statesmanship, by giving the enemy time to pursue his abortive offensive, and missing a golden opportunity to achieve a final settlement instead of a vague armistice agreement, by mounting a counter-offensive. We thus won the war and lost the peace.

In searching publicly for a definitive solution to the Middle East problem one should not overlook either the ever-present military danger confronting Israel or the futility of a short-term solution. The quantity and quality of Arab armament must be taken into account, together with the concentration of hostile forces, and the belligerency of Arab propaganda in which the masses are promised that Israel will be wiped off the map as soon as the opportunity occurs. Therefore, Israel's first and foremost concern is to face up to this serious threat by strengthening her military and economic power.

But while taking measures for its defence the State should devote more thought, planning, and action to the problem of future Arab-Jewish relations. The argument that the chances for peace are remote, that Israel's desire for peace is well known and is therefore not worth a special effort on her part, is utterly wrong, both from political and educational points of view. On the contrary, because peace is inconceivable in the near future, the earlier we begin to plan and act the better. In spite of Israel's great longing for peace her motives are often misinterpreted and her "inherent right to self-defence" — in the words of the U.N. Charter — is being condemned as aggression.

There is also the educational consideration. While we cannot prevent Arab teachers from implanting anti-Israel hatred into the hearts of their pupils we ought to forestall the natural anti-Arab reaction among our young generation. In addition to the normal Arab studies curricula in schools and youth movements, an imaginative scheme for future Jewish-Arab co-operation might help to diminish irrational ill-feeling. It is possible that some young progressive Arabs also might one day be infused with the spirit of peace and co-operation.

National Independence

We live in an age dominated by large geopolitical groupings. The preservation of national independence of lesser and smaller Powers depends much on their ability to co-operate with each other. The vast economic needs and the modern technological developments demand closer economic and scientific collaboration. This is true not only in relatively highly developed areas, but more so in developing areas, including the Middle East. The countries of this region, taken together, have a great economic potential. Natural resources include over half the world's oil reserves, a tremendous quantity of minerals, huge rivers flowing into broad sea lanes, vast areas of fertile soil with a great reserve of virgin land. The region commands land, air, and sea, intercontinental communications, and has rich fishing grounds, especially in the Red Sea and the Indian Ocean. If all these sources were harnessed by a common effort for the welfare of all the Middle Eastern nations, the region could become one of the most prosperous areas in the world. Much of the capital needed is available in the region itself, the rest would follow from international sources without political strings attached. Even the scientific and technical "know-how" can be found in some of the States. All the countries, except Egypt, are under-populated, which makes the problems more manageable.

But in spite of some small headway, potentially one of the richest areas on our planet remains the most neglected and underdeveloped. The region is deeply divided — between Arabs and non-Arabs, between the Arabs themselves, and of, course, on account of the state of war between some Arab countries and Israel. Some States are involved in Western military blocks and some provide—intentionally or unintentionally — bases for the Warsaw Pact subversion. Large sums and technical ability from local and foreign sources are wasted on armaments and armies. Such an unstable situation invites foreign penetration and intervention, which may subsequently lead to loss of independence, won only recently through great suffering.

Communications

The formation of a regional organisation, which should include all countries in the entire Middle East, is necessary for political, economic, cultural, scientific, and defensive co-operation. A commonwealth of nations, or rather a confederation, would combine national sovereignty with international responsibility. Israel could make a significant contribution to this grouping. She occupies all land communications between Africa and Asia, she commands an important part of the Mediterranean coast, has access to the Red Sea, and can, therefore, help in improving the intercontinental communication system. Her industrial capacity, technical "know-how," medical services, social achievements, and cultural standards could be shared by the entire region. In return she could enjoy peace, commercial relations, and cultural links.

All peace-loving people and peoples, not least the Israelis, should work towards this great end. It may sound like a dream, especially bearing in mind the present state of affairs, yet it is the kind of dream which may amply be fulfilled in the long run, since it is an historic necessity.

But as it would be wrong to tackle day-to-day national politics without the inspiration of a great international goal, so would it be wrong to be carried away by a great but still remote vision and neglect measures to deal with the immediate situation. A strong Israel is a must, not only in order to defer aggression, but as a stabilising factor in the area as a whole. The mere existence of Israel between Egypt and a number of other Arab States limits the possibility of their conquest by their big brother, but at the same time does not hinder them from uniting on a peaceful basis if they so wish.

Arab Unity Moves

Israel has never opposed Arab unity. She did not try to hamper the unification of Egypt and Syria, though this took place when Egypt was much weakened by her defeat in Sinai. We consider inter-Arab relations as a domestic affair and a matter of self-determination. But we have to judge the means and ends of Arab unity pursued vis-a-vis the State of Israel. Cairo's command over Syria and the rapid Egyptianisation of its economy and armed forces menace Israel as well as Lebanon, Jordan, Iraq, and to some extent even Turkey.

Israel could not afford to see Jordan in the same position as Syria. The Sharon Plain and divided Jerusalem are the underbelly of our strategic posture, and the presence of Egyptian troops on the western bank of the River Jordan or the fusion of the Jordanian Army with any other great Arab Power, without prior arrangements for securing peace with Israel, cannot and, therefore, must not be tolerated. Such a change is not in accordance with the armistice agreements and cannot be carried out without Israel's consent. The violation of the agreements would free our hands to act according to our indispensable defence interests.

Some Arab propagandists, posing abroad as "moderates," say that they would be ready to recognise Israel if she made territorial concessions to her neighbours, absorbed all the Arab refugees, and stopped further Jewish immigration. They claim that further immigration would force us to expand at their expense because of land shortage and limited economic capacity. These are self-contradicting arguments. If territorial limits are an inducement to Israel to expand, why should they want to diminish her territory even further? If they fear that economic limits may encourage an aggressive policy, why do they worsen the situation by imposing an economic boycott on the State? And if they are worried that Israel's armament and scientific progress tempt her into fighting, why do they refuse negotiation for a final settlement which could safeguard the security of all parties concerned? The Jews have only one State: the Arabs have many. Israel comprises no more than eight thousand square miles: the Arabs possess about three and a half million square miles. The condition for Jewish national recovery depends entirely on the existence of the State, while the Arab problem is lack of political, social, economic, and scientific progress, and probably lack of sufficient sovereignty and unity rather than lack of territory. More than six million inhabitants lived in ancient Israel according to historians and archaeologists. So many more could draw their living from it now, by using improved methods of agriculture, fishing, industrial production, shipping, and trade.

Some Arab spokesmen suggest that, though they find it impossible to recognise Israel, let alone co-operate with her, they could yet tolerate her existence if they could be assured of Israel not attacking. I do not believe this to be the official attitude, and certainly not the U.A.R. ruler's opinion. Nevertheless, it is our duty to initiate a new scheme, which though not intended as a final settlement could nevertheless reinforced the old dilapidated armistice agreements by providing for a more effective arrangement.

We have to strive for the replacement of the armistice agreements or their reinforcement by a non-aggression pact. If we could rule out the possibility of a surprise attack we could rule out the possibility of a renewed large-scale war. A non-aggression pact, which would include (a) ending the technical state of war; (b) practical provisions aiming at the reduction and control of armaments; (c) inspection of strategic key-bases by mixed units of observers; and (d) the establishment of direct and permanent contact, not necessarily diplomatic, between the parties in order to iron out on the spot any misunderstandings.

In principle, it could be argued, there is no difference between an armistice agreement and a non-aggression pact. But the proposed new arrangement would be more effective inasmuch as readiness to subscribe to it would serve as a test case distinguishing the warmonger from the peace-lover. We should appeal to the Arab masses in every possible way. Some may listen. Our campaign for peace should be conducted vigorously and consistently, without the fear that it could be interpreted as a sign of weakness. It should be directed to all who are anxious to see peace in the Middle East.

BEN GURION AND THE ARABS

By AMOS

Judging by official and semi-official Arab Commentary so far Ben-Gurion's trip has been effective. The visit formed the main subject of comment two days running which in itself is quite an achievement.

There appears to be general agreement among the Arab States that Ben-Gurion's objectives include some sort of guarantee for Middle Eastern frontiers and that this would take on special importance in view of Kennedy's imminent meeting with Khruschev. The visits to both Canada and the U.S.A. have naturally brought out a strong anti-American and anti-Western reaction from Cairo (and Damascus) in particular. If Kennedy is prepared to listen to Ben Gurion's entreaties —the line goes—Khruschev is not; the U.S.S.R. will not jeopardise Arab-Soviet friendship by agreeing to protect a usurpation.

Arab commentators also took it for granted that Ben-Gurion would be pressing Kennedy to keep his election promises about Israel, and also to get economic and military aid. On the whole they implied that his trip had been at least partially successful, though they also stressed that his visit had received only a lukewarm welcome in both countries, and that pro-Arabs in Ottawa "and other Canadian towns" had shouted hostile slogans.

Until now, as far as tanks were concerned, Israel has been at a marked disadvantage compared to all the Arab States. Israel had to rely on World War Two Shermans, which nowadays rank only as medium tanks. Even with a heavier gun mounted on them they could not match the Arab heavy tanks (Soviet and Western models) in armour, firepower or accuracy (they lack gyro-stabilisers.) Negotiations for the purchase of Centurion tanks from Britain began several years ago, and there were a number of hitches at first. Now, at last, crews and commanders have been trained, maintenance and transport problems overcome and the Centurions have been exercised together with other armored units. This has removed another of Israel's defence headaches. Although the Arabs have a much larger tank force, the Israeli Command now feels that as long as it has tanks of the right quality it can meet all threats by virtue of better handling and fighting qualities.

The Egyptians have begun large-scale manoeuvres this year; with Soviet help they are trying to train their commanders to handle the large formations they have now formed and equipped. They are also training commando groups on a large scale, to operate in the enemy rear. Cairo reports that one group practiced ambushing a convoy of vehicles carrying troops, crossing broken ground and hilly country with their weapons and negotiated obstacles under fire. The existence of units like this increases the opportunity to strike a surprise blow, backed of course by sudden air and armored strikes and the dropping of parachutists. These exercises have obvious political implications, particularly when they coincide with increased infiltration into Southern Israel by military or paramilitary personnel.

Education is one of the fronts on which the cold war is being fought in Africa and particularly a means by which Nasser penetrates into those Afro-Asian states which are wholly or partly Moslem, as well as into other Arab states. Though Egypt herself is woefully short of teachers and large numbers of village children remain quite illiterate Egyptian teachers are being sent anywhere they are accepted. A special training course is now underway for a thousand teachers who are being lent to Afro-Asian countries. The course will prepare them for the conditions and special problems they will meet in these countries.

DATELINE: ISRAEL

By CARL ALBERT

THE NEW AFRICA AND JERUSALEM

Haifa—A friend recently returned to Israel from a mission to an African country reported to me on an enlightening conversation which he had held with one of the leaders of a newly emergent state on that continent. Said the African leader: "Many countries offer us their help, and insist that their sole motive is to extend a helping hand where aid is needed. We are skeptical of such offers; there is no altruism in international affairs. When we ask Israel why you offer assistance you tell us frankly that you want our friendship. You say that you want to prove to us that you are deserving of such friendship. You say that today you help us and you hope that in case of need we will help you. This we understand; this is reasonable, and this we like."

On this realistic basis Israel's relations have grown with more than a score of countries in Africa and Southeast Asia. Yet doubts are sometimes expressed as to whether our efforts in this direction are worth the time, effort and manpower which we devote to them. The African states continue to maintain close relations with Nasser; they sometimes subscribe to collective foreign policy statements which are critical of Israel.

What we must bear in mind is that our relations with these countries are normal relations. We are not buying their souls. They remain free agents. They live on a continent where Abdul Nasser is still the strong man, and their own interests dictate that they remain on good terms with him. To expect any African state defiantly to flout Egypt as a gesture of its friendship to Israel is extremely naive.

In the general picture Israel enjoys a favorable position, despite the occasional political reservations. For one thing, we are more welcome in the newly emancipated countries than any of the great powers. There is no fear of Israel. We are not a colonial power, and it is obvious that we have no imperialist or expansionist ambitions. Indeed, in the wake of the Eichmann trial, Israelis are emerging in a new light in African eyes: as a people who had been tragically treated by the European powers, as the Africans had been in the colonial era; and as a people who struggled against the great powers and set up an independent state, even as they have done. They recognize Israel as a product of circumstances which they can understand in view of their own history.

Our relations with the underdeveloped countries take several forms. One is purely commercial. Israel contracting firms, competing with companies from other parts of the world, have succeeded in outbidding competitors for the erection of public buildings, construction of airfelds and highways, the planning and execution of irrigation projects, the designing of cities and towns, etc. Indeed, further Israel activity in this direction is limited by our own resources and manpower, and not by the opportunities.

Individual Israeli experts have been sent to serve in these countries even when their services were urgently required at home. Not long ago the U.N. advertised in the local press that it was prepared to engage experts in the fields of economics, statistics, social and communal organization for work in Africa. It was difficult to find suitable personnel to fill the posts offered.

Israel also provides training for large numbers of individual Africans. Many of them are brought to Israel where they are put through special schools and courses. Perhaps the more important training is that provided in their own lands. Outstanding is the kind of help given by the Technion, Israel Institute of Technology. Despite demands on its academic staff at home, the Technion has granted leave of absence to leading faculty members who have gone to Africa to organize or systematize the whole program of technological and engineering education, which may in the long run make it possible for the new states to stand on their own feet—even as the Technion has played a similar role in Israel's economy. Thus Technion staff members are to be found today in such posts as dean of the Imperial College of Engineering at Addis Ababa; head of the pre-engineering department at the University of Monrovia, Liberia; senior lecturer at the Kumasi Technical College in Ghana; advisor in town planning to the government of Eastern Nigeria; advisor in engineering geology to the government of Guinea, etc.

We must not expect miracles from this program. Our relations with these countries is frank, open, above board. They treasure their newly won independence and would be quick to resent any feeling that someone is trying to "influence" them. In our dealings with them and their leaders we have come to like them precisely because they are not given to hypocrisy or the double-talk which is more euphemestically known as diplomacy. We consider them honest friends and hope we shall get along well, to the mutual interest of each.

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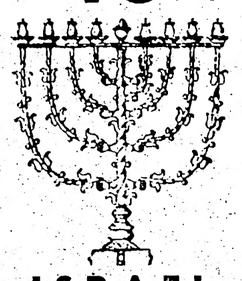

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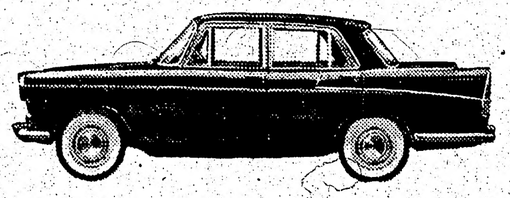

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southern tongue of the Dead Sea, could turn it into a great reservoir which would serve this joint project? And would not the use of Lake Kinneret as a joint reservoir for winter waters effectively serve Jordan's own irrigation plans in the Jordan Valley? Jordan is not exploiting the Kinneret because of the lack of normal relations with Israel. But should not genuine joint development plans be the basis of discussions on the normalization of relations, instead of proposals whose sole benefit to the Arabs would be the weakening of Israel? The criterion by which we make proposals must be not only their acceptability to the Arabs, but also the assurance they contain of solving and not creating problems.

The present regime is taken to task for being virtual puppets of the powers which help Israel to remain armed. It is suggested that the armament programme is conducted without the duly required supervision of the Knesset, and throws us into the camp of the conservatives, the reactionaries, the authoritarians, the absolutists, the dictators.

Is Israel really so dependent upon and subservient to her sources of arms? And are our defence needs so unholy that only dictators and leaders of reactionary countries are fit to help us meet them?

I must confess that I do not fully understand exactly on what basis nations are classed as progressive or reactionary. Is the form of government the criterion? Is Rumania really a more progressive nation than the United States, England, and France, merely because it has a Communist regime? Should not the criterion be the social character of the nation rather than its form of government? Was the France of Guy Mollet one of the most reactionary countries in the world? Is de Gaulle conducting a more reactionary foreign policy than the Labour Britain of the Bevin period? Are we to reckon the policy of the White Paper and the abandonment of the Jews to Hitler as more progressive than the foreign policy of Tory Macmillan, who is prepared to sell arms to Israel?

If a policy is classed as reactionary or progressive according to its attitude to peace, international equality, and the strengthening of the international bodies, are we not entitled to apply the same criteria to such policy according to its attitude to Israel? Is it that we are entitled — in the name of justice, equality, peace, and progress — to demand our rights as a nation among nations, but whoever helps us to increase our security, supports our claim to passage through the Suez Canal, and helps us in our development and in the absorption and integration of immigrants is ipso facto a black reactionary, while those who deny our right to national independence, to defend ourselves, to build up our land, to equality with all other nations are progressive only because they claim to be maintaining progressive regimes?

The sources of arms are limited, and they are determined first and foremost not according to whether they fall into the reactionary or progressive category, but according to the arms they manufacture and their readiness to sell them to us.

The Eastern Bloc is closed to us as a source of arms. (There was, of course, that brief interlude of Czechoslovak "reaction," when that country sold arms to us despite the fact that we were then fighting the Arabs.)

In the acquisition of aircraft from France we find ourselves in a variegated company—Australia, Switzerland, India — whose common denominator in this respect is their desire to possess first-rate aircraft. Are these countries subservient to France? Does France sell them aircraft solely because of a reactionary policy? Or perhaps these criteria apply only to Israel, white Switzerland, India, and Australia have the right to buy aircraft from France within the framework of a normal policy.

From England we have acquired destroyers, submarines, and tanks. Except for the United States, England is the only Western power producing a medium tank, and the leading naval power. Thus, any country in need of medium tanks — Centurions (Switzerland, Holland, Sweden, Iraq, Jordan) — or naval battle equipment perforce turns to England.

What, then, is this arms acquisition - subservience - reactionary formula?

The acquisition of arms is contingent not only on a particular country's manufacturing the required arms, but also on that country's readiness to sell them to us — and this is determined by political and commercial considerations. Political cooperation is based on cordial relations, identity of interests, and mutual aid. It is doubtful whether anybody not prepared to help and support another may expect support and help in return. This is quite normal in international relations, and it obviously applies also to us. But this is far from being subservient. Of course, the more limited our sources of arms become the more dependent we shall become on the remaining sources (dependence for arms, not political subservience). The way to avoid this dependence is to develop ties with the maximum possible number of countries likely to serve as alternatives.

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Finally fears have been expressed as to the future of parliamentarism in Israel and lest the concern for arms acquisition lead to the "militarization of all our life and thinking." Is this Peace with the Arabs does not depend on us alone. And if the Arabs reject peace, does that really doom us to a "militarization of all our life and thinking with a cloak of parliamentarism"? The problem of arms acquisition is a serious one, but not the only serious one in our lives. It is very expensive, but not beyond the means of the Jewish people. It involves political problems, but it does not compel us to subservience to the most reactionary forces in the world but to understanding with the arms-producing powers who are interested that Israel survive, and who understand that strengthening her security promotes stability in the Middle East and holds aggression in check.

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Mr. Saphir thus recalled the beginning of the commercial relations between the two states.

The interview was held in Mr. Saphir's modest Tel-Aviv office where he spends part of his week when away from the Ministry in Jerusalem. It was the morning before the Minister left for Britain and North America on a mission for the U.J.A. and to negotiate new investments.

The Minister commented on the trade balance between the two states, saying that Israel will gladly buy more from Canada if the Canadian Government, on its part increases its purchases in Israel, which amounted last year to $2 million in citrus, textiles and chocolates. Israel's import from Canada a year ago totalled $12 million, an increase of $2.5 million over 1959. The increase in export from Israel to Canada, however, was smaller in proportion and amounted to $100,000 between 1958-60. Mr. Saphir revealed that an order from Canada for $200,000 worth of plywood has been received lately. Our imports, added the Minister, include wheat, which we continue to buy from Canada, besides our main source: the American government surpluses.

In answer to a question, Mr. Saphir stated that Israel is ready to buy from Canada machinery, metals and several other items which she now imports from elsewhere.

The Minister expressed his belief that Canadian capital can find in Israel a wide ground on profitable bases, such as the oil-search in the Negev in which two Canadian firms took part. He argued that, though they had not succeeded, the recent experience gathered can serve as a ground for new efforts. The Minister also mentioned the oil found in Heletz and the gas continually gushing from wells in Arad and Kidod in the Israeli Negev.

Coming back to his opening remarks, Mr. Saphir concluded: "If we were to have given medals, we would have certainly granted one to Canada and Canadian Jewry, so helpful to us in critical times."

H. E. PINHAS SADIR, Israeli Minister of Commerce and Trade, is interviewed by CJN Correspondent in Israel, Mr. Gideon Samet. Mr. Samet told the Minister about our Israeli Trade Special Supplement, in July.

Gasner, New Chairman Of National Synagogue Council For Israeli Bonds

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Mr. Gasner is a member of the National Executive Committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress and chairman of the Congress Central Region. He holds office in a variety of Jewish community organizations and is active on behalf of a wide range of local and national causes. He is also co-publisher of The Canadian Jewish News of Toronto.

He is a member of the National Boards of Yeshiva University and the Albert Einstein School of Medicine, both in New York. He is also co-chairman of the Central Fund for Traditional Institutions in Toronto.

Mr. Gasner is an officer of the United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto, of which he is a past president, and of the United Jewish Appeal in Toronto, of which he is a past chairman. He is also a past president of Shaarei Shomayim Congregation in Toronto.

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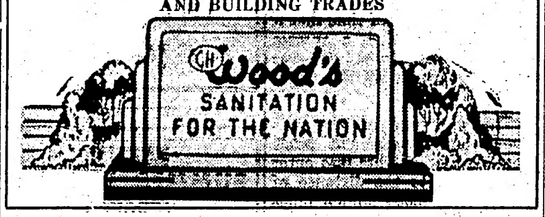

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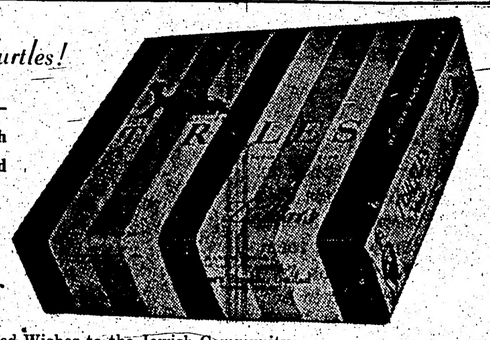

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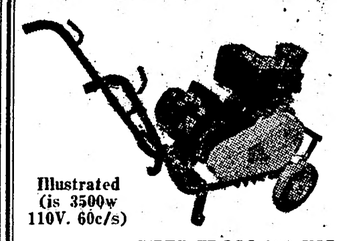

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CHAPTER II

America, it must be understood, no longer held title to the term "New World." In a magically short period of time the course of discovery had relegated her to the Old World. Now there was no longer any one region that could lay claim to be called the "New World." There were many new worlds—most of them several times larger than our earth. Adventurers of varied qualifications were now looking forward to visiting these New Worlds.

As the strained watchers for "The Fearless" grew even more restive and eager their attention was momentarily diverted by the sight of a United Nations Armed Forces Space-Ship going up. It carried military and civil authorities to supervise the truce on a section of Mars and to prevent an outbreak of war on that planet.

Just as the Mars ship took off a giant CanadianInterplanetair Space-ship came down, bringing back a group of explorers, who were specially trained to work in the Arctic. They had in the early days of their careers adjusted themselves to extreme cold and they had been absent for a number of years engaged in exploration of some moons and of the polar regions of several planets.

There was much excitement in their meeting with friends and relatives who had come to welcome them "back to earth" after such a long absence. Wistfully the waiters for "The Fearless" watched them as they hugged and embraced one another and went off chattering happily, wishing that their own wait were so satisfactorily ended. Over all this ground noice, so to speak, the announcements were very clearly heard as they came through the loud speaker system, ultra-modern in every respect, which kept the waiting room crowd informed of all details in regard to incoming and outgoing spaceships. It was possible to know exactly what was going on in every corner of this tremendous International Airport for Space-Ships, the largest and best-equipped airfield on this earth.

The other large Interplanetair Airport for Space-ships served Russia and China, their allies and their satellites, but the International was not only the largest; it was equipped with the most up-to-date instruments known to air- and space-traffic management of the day.

In addition to American and Canadian ships many European Space-ships landed on this huge central airport on their way from Europe to the Moon and to the planets or on their return flights. Most countries had already established daily flights to the Moon, Mercury, Venus and Mars; weekly flights to Jupiter and Saturn, and monthly flights to Neptune, Uranus, Pluto and their moons. The International Airport was busy and bustling as no previous airport had ever been.

Only a few weeks previously some Space lines had opened daily flights to Jupiter and Saturn. A flight to Mars now took a minimum of 12 days. The same time was required to fly to Mercury. Venus could be reached in one week. Trips to the Moon took only a few hours.

A trip to Uranus took about eleven months, to Neptune about eighteen months and to Pluto approximately two years. The time taken was, of course, dependent on the distance between the earth and the planets at the time of flight. Since the planets revolved around the sun in varying periods of time, their distances from the earth and between themselves, as well as their positions in the solar system, changed constantly according to known laws and could be computed exactly.

As a segment of the crowd departed with each arriving plane's passengers, vacant spaces were filled by those who came to meet other incoming Space-ships or see off friends, but the crowd as a whole continued to watch the departing space ships as they mounted in an almost vertical line and others coming down for a landing in the same way.

"More like helicopters than the old-fashioned airplanes," one voice in the crowd was heard to remark.

It was amazing, too, that during the flight in space, passengers had the feeling that they were going up continually higher and higher. The feeling of change in direction came just before landing.

At the time the large crowd had begun to gather to welcome Captain Polo and his crew, an Interplanetair -space-cargo-ship had come down bringing new treasures: gold, platin and some hitherto unknown varieties of precious stones which had but recently been discovered on Saturn and Jupiter. Jewel appraisers said that these stones surpassed diamonds in beauty and value. It was understandable that this space-ship should be heavily guarded by armed forces. The crowd by this time was so congested that it became necessary for an official of the airport to clear the way for incoming passengers.

"Make way, make way!" he boomed as he led the way with arms outstretched on either side.

It was about then that someone was heard to remark in the crowd:

"Reminds me of the silverships I used to read about that brought such treasures from the former New World (America) and from India, to Spain and Portugal." But little attention greeted this remark; the glories of the past were too greatly overshadowed by the glories of the present.

It was little to be wondered at that the inhabitants of this earth were tremendously proud of the conquests made in the 20th century now rapidly nearing its end. In a few months the world would be entering a new century, the 21st, but no one imagined that it could be more glorious, at least in the technical and scientific fields, than the 20th century had been.

Greatest achievement of all had been the conquest of space —an achievement following on the conquest of the air in the first half of the century and bringing about these flights to the planets and the moon the very thought of which had been scoffed at in the early part of the century.

One after another human beings had succeeded in solving ALL, but REALLY ALL, the difficult and intricate problems of space-travel. The impossibilities of 1960 were the accomplished facts of 1999; the insurmountable scientific and technical obstacles of the middle 20th century had been overcome. The new space-ships were more comfortable and moved now in 1999 more safely and more smoothly than the giant jet airliners of the middle century.

All this had been a tremendous triumph of the human spirit. Most astonishing of all was the shortness of time that it had taken mankind, a shorter time than anybody had dared to hope, to conquer all these new worlds.

The discovery of the new super-atom power had made possible these flights into outer space, even to the distance of Pluto, some 3,600 million miles from Earth. And it was at this same time that man had learned to use solar energy, since which advance most space ships had employed both forms of energy.

For long, seemingly endless stretches space-ships were now flying at a speed double the speed of the movement of the earth in its orbit around the sun, a speed, if you can conceive it, of 150,000-180,000 miles an hour or approximately four million miles a day. The super-atom and the sun's rays had proved immense sources of power in space travel and to these had been added power derived from cosmic rays.

The transformation of the dangerous cosmic rays into a source of energy for space ships was everywhere recognized as one of the century's greatest scientific triumphs—a tremendous stop forward.

And as if this were not enough the largest space-ship factory was even now experimenting with a sensational ultra-modern design which would fly automatically for many days. It was equipped with the latest electronic devices and instruments and its estimated speed was eight million miles a day permitting it to reach Pluto in less than one year, Mars and Mercury in about six days, Venus in plus or minus three days.

The most important step forward, however, had been the discovery of the anti-gravitation property of a new compound, composed of rare elements and inert gases. This compound had the highly exceptional property of repelling rather than of reing attracted to the earth and other bodies. Under certain electro-magnetic conditions "anti-gravit," as this new substance was called, was repelled and repulsed by all gravitational forces. A great part of the bodies of all spaceships were now made of it. With its help interplanetair spaceships could easily land on any spot in this cosmos with even greater ease than giant airliners were now landing on and taking off from a modern airport. Great improvements in radar made it possible to detect meteors in time for space-ships to avoid them on their way in space and anti-gravit automatically kept the space ship out of their path.

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